



# Class 3 Newsletter

## Autumn Term



### Autumn Term Topic – Ancient Greece

Welcome back to school! This term our topic is 'Ancient Greece.' We will be travelling back thousands of years ago to find out why Greece is known as the 'birthplace of western civilisation'.

Some of our topic activities will involve:-

- Using the Internet and non-fiction books for research.
- Presenting information in a variety of ways.
- Reading and writing Greek mythology.
- Writing a persuasive travel guide.
- Reading and performing play scripts.
- Using atlases, the Internet and Google Earth.
- Finding out about everyday life in Ancient Greek times.
- Learning about soldiers and battles.
- Decorating our own Greek urn designs.
- Learning about democracy – both ancient and modern!
- Making comedy and tragedy masks.
- Investigating structures.
- Tasting Greek food.
- Music – Heroes of Troy! A musical version of The Iliad.



(For more information, please see the curriculum map on the class page 3 on our website)

How you can support your child.....

- Take your child to the library to get a book about the topic
- Supervise internet research for homework activities.
- Watch any relevant, suitable programmes on TV eg. Horrible Histories.
- Check that all homework activities have been completed and the folder is returned to school on time.
- Bring in any relevant photos from holidays to Greece, particularly if they show ancient landmarks and ruins.

## Other areas of learning outside the topic this term.....

Our values are **Friendship, Responsibility and Respect**

Literacy	Maths	Science	P.E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spelling, punctuation and grammar.</li> <li>Guided reading.</li> <li>Handwriting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Place value up to 10,000,000</li> <li>Rounding</li> <li>Roman numerals</li> <li>Negative numbers</li> <li>Written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division</li> <li>Fractions</li> </ul>	<u>Materials</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Properties of materials</li> <li>Solids, liquids and gases.</li> <li>Solubility</li> <li>Separating mixtures</li> <li>Thermal conductivity</li> <li>Irreversible changes</li> <li>Heating and burning</li> <li>New materials</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>netball</li> <li>rugby</li> </ul>
Music	French	Religious Education	Computing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Glockenspiel stage 2</li> <li>Classroom jazz</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Weather</li> <li>The Seasons</li> <li>My Holiday and Transport</li> <li>Days of the week</li> </ul>	<u>Believing</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Why are festivals important to religious communities? (thematic- all 4 faiths)</li> <li>Incarnation / God: What is the Trinity?</li> <li>Christmas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify data required to answer specific questions.</li> <li>Present data using different graphs and charts in a spreadsheet.</li> <li>Collect and record information using databases and spreadsheets.</li> <li>Complete complex searches of data in databases and online data sources.</li> <li>Answer questions by identifying data that can be collected using a data logger and interpreting the findings.</li> <li>Plan investigations which make use of a data logger to collect data; analyse findings and present outcomes</li> </ul>
	<u>PSHCE</u> <u>Britain</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>our democracy</li> </ul> <u>Road Safety</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be bright, be seen</li> <li>Bikeability Y6</li> </ul>		

### P.E

P.E lessons are on a **Tuesday** afternoon with our sports coach, Mr Wotmaugh, from 'Swift Sports' and a **Friday** afternoon with Mrs Warnock. It is a good idea for children to leave their PE kit and trainers in school so they always have them. They can be taken home for washing at the end of term.

When the colder weather sets in, please could all children bring warm clothing (tracksuits ) as well as their shorts and shirts.

Please also ensure that if your child has pierced ears, they are able to remove their own earrings or alternatively have them removed before school on those particular days. If your child is unable to do PE due to an injury or illness, please ensure that you have spoken to me about this beforehand. A written note is preferable.

### Important things to remember!

**Homework** – this will be sent out on a Thursday. Please can it be checked, signed by a parent/carers and returned by the following Wednesday.

**Water bottles** - Please provide your child with a bottle of fresh water every day. This is especially important on PE days.

**Reading books / record books** – to be brought to school every day. Please continue to read with your child.

**School uniform** – please label all uniform clearly and adhere to the school uniform policy.