



**Curriculum Information for Parents**  
**Year 5 - Summer Term 2016**

**Literacy**

In Literacy and in our guided reading and writing sessions, we will look at a range of different texts, including:

- narrative based upon Greek myths and legends
- journalistic writing related to events within a Greek myth
- researching and presenting information about different aspects of Ancient Greek life

Your child will also take part in reading, sentence and spelling activities during Guided Reading sessions throughout the week.

**Maths**

Our daily Maths lessons and mental maths sessions this term will include...

- Place value and ordering numbers with up to five digits, including using decimals with one or two decimal places
- Counting forwards and backwards through zero
- Add and subtract numbers with more than 4 digits using shortened column methods
- Identifying multiples and factor pairs of a number, including those who result in a prime number
- Multiplying and dividing numbers with up to 4 digits by a 1/2 digit number using known times table facts
- Continuing to recall and use times table facts accurately, quickly and efficiently for all times tables.
- Comparing, ordering, adding, subtracting and multiplying fractions with the same denominator, including improper fractions

We will also include mental maths work covering the rapid recall of numbers bonds as well as times tables and related division facts.

**Science**

We will be learning about animals and humans. We will look at what they need to survive, comparing how we are similar and different to animals and how they change from birth to adulthood.

Our learning unit is...



**IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME!**

**PE Days**

Children will need their indoor and outdoor kits on Wednesdays and swimming kits on Thursdays. Please check they have suitable footwear and that all kit is named.

**Water Bottles**

Drinking water regularly, throughout the day, hydrates the brain and helps your child to learn. Please ensure they have a water bottle in school and that it is taken home and cleaned on a regular basis.

**Suggestions to help your child at home...**

Please see your child's selection of Learning Log activities to help support your child's learning over the half term.

**Weekly Homework**

Your child will receive weekly spellings and times table practise on a Monday. Spelling tests will take place on the following Monday.

**Reading Books**

Your child should have three reading books that should travel between school and home each day - a guided reading book, a library book and a parallel reader (more advanced readers may have two library books rather than a parallel reader). Please support your child by hearing them read at least three times a week and asking them questions on what they have read. When your child reads, please ensure that their reading diary is completed and that it is brought into school every day. We encourage the children to change their books on a regular basis. If you notice that a particular book remains unchanged, then please let us know.

**Online Learning**

Your child has access to Bug Club, Mathletics and Spellodrome at home to practise their reading, maths and spelling skills. Log on details can be found in their reading diary.

**During this unit, our learning will include...**

**PE**

- **Swimming** - children will be developing their confidence in the water to swim at least 25 metres
- **Dance** - Greek dancing
- **Athletics** - our activities will be linked to the Olympic games

**History and Geography**

- We will look at life in Ancient Greece and its impact on the world around us today.
- We will also be looking at the Ancient Games and comparing them to the Modern Olympics.

**Personal, Social and Moral Education**

- **Changes** - Looking at the physical and emotional changes that occur as we grow up. Further details about our Sex Education programme will follow later in the term.

**Religious Education**

- **Power** - Exploring what 'power' means and the power of belief in different gods and religions.

**Languages**

- We will continue to learn commonly used phrases and terms in French to help the children to extend their vocabulary.

**Art & Design Technology**

- **Textiles** - Developing sewing skills and combining fabric elements to make togas/costumes
- **3D Structures** - Using materials to create a structure related to the Olympics

**Computing**

- We will be using Sketch Up to design and construct a 3D Grecian temple.

**Music**

- Learning rhythms in Greek music and designing and performing an accompaniment