

Reading

We shall be developing our comprehension skills, focussing on explaining the meaning and effect of vocabulary this term. In lessons, we shall explore Greek mythology while practising the skills of inferring, clarifying, summarising and evaluating.

Writing

In writing, our chosen book for the half term is 'Groovy Greeks' from the Horrible Histories collection by Terry Deary. We shall learn a range of grammatical techniques and use them to write a non-fiction report. In addition, we shall adapt, write and publish our own Greek myths.

Mathematics

This term, our focus will be on place value and rounding to the nearest 10, 100, 1,000 and 10,000. We will then move on to addition and subtraction, number problems and practical problems involving all new skills. **Meet the Team!** Year Group Leader: Craige Teaching Staff: Claudia, Craige, Whitley Support Staff: Azena, Michael

Gracious Greeks



Supporting Your Child's Learning at Home

Children are expected to read daily and complete their reading records. Mathletics and Spag.com tasks will be set every Friday. They could also improve their mental maths skills using ttrockstars.com.

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Science

In science this half term, the children will be learning to explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. They will also learn to Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces.

History

Our main focus this half term will be to research and report key aspects of Greek history. We shall explore how the Greeks have influenced societies, and the children will learn to analyse the causes and consequences of significant historical events.

PHSE

This term in PSHE, the children will be learning to take greater responsibility for sleep, sun safety, healthy eating and managing feelings; setting goals; and understanding the importance of rest and relaxation.

ΡE

Our weekly dance lessons will take place on a **Thursday**. **5CR and 5W** will be having PE lessons on a **Wednesday**, so children will need to come to school wearing their PE uniform. **Y5CY** will have swimming lessons on **Fridays** this term so will need their swimming kits on this day.

Dance

In dance, we will be exploring Greek mythology as a starting point for dance making. The children will develop choreographic devices within their pieces.

Music

In music, Y5 will be learning to play as part of a steel pan ensemble. We will focus on all areas of musicality, including rhythm, pulse, pitch, texture and dynamics. There will also be an element of improvisation. We will focus on proper stick technique and control of dynamics, as well as learning the layout of the different pans.

French

In French, this half term the children will extend their descriptions of other people including describing family and using the negative form to say what someone is not and has not.





Art

Children will be exploring the theme of community and where we as individuals fit. We will be exploring portraiture and refining skills and techniques to develop their own practice and creativity. We will be learning about the artist JR who is a French street photographer, and his work is displayed in Catford town centre.

DT

This half term, the children will create a fourpage pop-up storybook design. They will also add accompanying captions, incorporating a

RE

In RE lessons this half term, children will learn about Judaism. They will learn about the key beliefs of the religion, will discuss Buddhist worship and will explore Buddhist temples.

Computing

This term in computing, children will develop their understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred. They learn to explain the input, output, and process aspects of a variety of different real-world systems.