

## English

- Ancient Greek myths and legends: Our first unit of study will lead us to explore a myth set in the Ancient Greek times; the story of Theseus and the Minotaur. We will think about how myths and legends are composed and why they have been written, before creating our own.
- Reports: We will be researching and writing our own information text linked to our theme.
- We will be working on our spelling, punctuation and grammar targets throughout all of our literacy units; this will include a weekly spelling test.



## Theme

### The Ancient Greeks

We will be travelling back in time to study various aspects of Ancient Greek life.

We will be thinking about what life would have been like as an Ancient Greek and how they have influenced life today. We will be studying different aspects of the Ancient Greek culture in depth including; religion, food and buildings.

As well as this, we are going to develop our geography skills by looking at the location and features of Greece. We will also use our artistic skills to design and create our own Parthenon.

## ICT and Computing

Year 4 are looking forward to using the iPads to enhance our learning in a variety of curriculum areas.

We will be developing our computing and coding skills, providing a modern, up-to-date curriculum!

We will also be using our iPads to research the Ancient Greeks.

## Year 4 Autumn Term

## Curriculum Newsletter



## THE ANCIENT GREEKS! WHAT DID THE GREEKS DO FOR US?

## Homework

Your child will be provided with home learning opportunities, including a homework project. Please ensure that your child completes their homework by the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

Maths homework and weekly spellings will be given out every Friday and should be returned every Thursday. Year 4 will do a spelling test every week. Try to spend some time reading with your child every day and please comment and sign their Reading Record.

## PE

Year 4 will be doing PE/games every Tuesday and Wednesday. Please bring in their full clean PE kit every week.

## General Information

Please continue to use Mathletics [www.mathletics.co.uk](http://www.mathletics.co.uk). If your child has forgotten their log in details please ask for another one.

**P.E. reminder:** plain white t-shirt, dark/royal blue shorts or long trousers, pumps. Trainers are required for outside P.E.

## Science

### Electricity

For the first of our science topics, we will look at electricity. We will learn about how to use electricity safely at home, as well as learn about the journey electricity makes to get to our homes. We will be investigating electrical conductors and creating our own circuits.

### Science Investigation

As a part of our science learning, we will complete a class science investigation. This will involve us becoming scientists for a day and looking at states of matter and conducting fair tests.

## Maths

### Number

Timetables and division facts will continue to play an important part of our maths learning, along with basic numbers skills such as addition, subtraction and place value.

We will have a weekly multiplication test focusing on our application of our times tables.

### Time

During the autumn term, we will be learning to tell the time on both an analogue and digital clock. We will be learning to read up to 5 minute intervals. Children will then apply their knowledge to real life time problems.

Where possible, we will link our Maths to our theme work or to real life to give the children a real understanding of how their learning will help them in life.

## PSCHE

We will be focusing on developing our PSCHE skills, thinking about: - Giving – Connecting – Keeping active – Taking notice.

**We will also be covering the five fundamental British Values which are defined as:**

- The Rule of Law
- Individual Liberty
- Tolerance
- Democracy
- Mutual Respect