



## It's all Greek to me!

Year 5

Spring term 2021

### Rationale for Learning

To encourage the children to learn about the impact of the Ancient Greeks' achievements on the modern western world. This includes looking at their development of democracy and the creation of the Olympics. The children will explore the rich array of Greek myths and stories, learning about the Greeks' belief systems and daily lives in the process.

### Suggested activities for families to help support learning

Regular times tables practice up to and including the 12 times table – encourage the children to use Times Tables Rock Stars as much as possible please!

Every child should be reading at home for at least 15 minutes every day. Children still enjoy being read to so try to allow some time for this regularly. An audio book at bedtime or in the car is a great way of listening to a wonderful range of books.

There will be some form of take-home task later in the term for children and families to work on together.

**Key Vocabulary:** Greek, Greece, gods, goddesses, mythical, creatures, Zeus, Athens, myth, legend, Parthenon, democracy, Olympics, pottery, and Medusa.

### Reminders

- P.E. clothes to be worn to school on the specific P.E. days (Thursday plus one other tbc).
- Every other week Mr Green (visiting sport coach) will take the year group for some targeted, expert coaching).
- Homework set and checked through every Monday.
- PPA days will be every other Thursday during which R.E. and P.E. will be taught.

### Dates

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March – full return to school

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April – last day of term

We also hope to have a Greek themed day during this term – dates to follow.



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## Study Unit Overview

### Mathematics

Four operations

Fractions

Shape

Interpreting data

### Art

Designing and creating our own  
Greek pottery

Paintings of a mythical creature

### Computing

Games design

Cryptography

Web developing

### English

We will be doing a range of  
writing inspired by various  
Greek myths including:

- Pandora's Box
- Orpheus and Eurydice
- Perseus and Medusa
- Theseus and the  
Minotaur
- Heracles



### RE

Christianity

### PE

Tag rugby skills

Gymnastics

### Science

Friction

Air resistance

### Music

Music inspired by the Greek  
gods

### History

Life in Ancient Greece

Gods and Goddesses

Athens and Sparta

Democracy

The first Olympics

### PSHCE

Friendships

Growing up

Puberty

### French

Animals

Looking at France