

# Autumn Term

SEPT 2018

## TRENCROM, LANYON and KERRIS

### ***Trencrom Class Team***

Mrs Dennison

Mrs Tudor

Ms Williams

### ***Lanyon Class***

Mrs McKellar-Savage

Mrs Richards

### ***Kerris Class***

Mrs Knowles

Mrs May

Mrs Whipp

Miss Ching

### **Uniform**

We are very pleased to see all your children looking so smart in their full uniforms. As a school we place particular emphasis on the children wearing the correct uniform at all times. Please see a member of the team or refer to our website if you have any questions.

Children should keep their full PE kit in school; red shorts, white polo shirt and black plimsolls or trainers.

Outdoor Learning also forms an essential part of our learning, we would ask that your child keeps a set of old clothes in school ready for these activities.

### **Greek Day!**

On Thursday 18th October (weather permitting), we will be holding our very own Olympic Games. We would like the children to come into school dressed as an Ancient Greek. They will be taking part in a variety of sporting activities as well trying a selection of Greek foods.

**Ancient  
greeks: make  
them laugh,  
make them  
cry...**

**In the Autumn Term, we will be learning all about the Ancient Greeks. Our writing will be inspired by myths and monsters - writing poetry, instructions and our own myths. This learning will then feed in to our final exhibition for the project - an evening of story telling.**



## English

We will begin the term by writing poetry inspired by myths and monsters. After that we will be learning a Greek Myth before planning and writing our own. These will form an important part of our final exhibition at the end of term. After that, we will be writing instructions and diaries.

We will, of course, retain a strong focus upon reading, which will be supported by our reading passports and reading karate scheme. Please continue to read regularly at home as well as learning spellings which are given out at the beginning of each half term. Your child will also be able to practise their spellings online at home using 'Spelling Shed'.

## Maths

In maths the children will be learning how to use a range of calculation strategies. They will apply this knowledge when solving real life maths problems. Mental maths skills are an essential part of our learning and we will be focusing on tables knowledge. By the end of Year 4, the children should know all of their tables up to 12 x 12. Tables knowledge is so useful for many aspects of maths and builds the children's confidence considerably. We will of course be encouraging the children to continue to work towards achieving their Jedi Badges.

## Science

In the first half of the Autumn Term we will be learning how to work scientifically, we will then put these skills to the test to identify, sort, group and classify living things. They learn how animals are split into 'vertebrates' and 'invertebrates' and consider the differences between living things within these classifications.

## Music

We will explore different areas of music this term, supported by the wonderful Mrs England.

## Humanities

This term's topic has a strong History focus, however, as well as learning about the Ancient Greeks we will also be focusing in on the tradition of theatre - looking at the performance, rituals and roles. This learning will then be presented in our own theatre performances at the end of term.

## RE

This term we will be learning about inspirational people, this will also link in to our learning during black history month. Later in the term we will be learning about sacred places and will be visiting a local church.

## DT & Art

In Art this term, children will be developing their printing skills, inspired by architecture from the Ancient Greek period. Our topic for DT is sheet materials and we will 'invent' flying machines, inspired by the Myth of Icarus and how man can fly. Towards the end of our project we will also be making theatre masks in readiness for our final exhibition.

## Computing

As well as continuing to focus on online safety, this term we will be using technology to develop our coding skills.

## PE

The Autumn Term sees the children working on invasion games including hockey, football and netball. The children will also have the opportunity to go swimming, you will already have received a letter explaining exactly when your child's class will be swimming. Please ensure your child has the correct, full PE kit in school all week. Your child's class may also be learning outdoors during the week, so they may need old clothing (including wellies) to be in school.

From time to time we will be watching extracts from films to enhance the children's learning. Some of these may have a PG or possible a 12a rating. We will also be watching some of the Horrible History programmes, which are rated PG. If you have any concerns about this, please do not hesitate to come in and see us.