

Literacy

We will start by looking at a range of Greek Myths and Legends. The children will be exploring how Myths are written and begin to write their own Greek Myth. In doing so, they will be exploring the different relationships between all the Greek Gods and focusing on the use of speech within stories. Towards the end of term, we will be looking at instructions and how to make our very own Greek Salad.

Topic

We will locate mainland Greece and its islands on a map. Then we will look at the physical features, in relation to travel, and discuss the concept of communication. We will focus on the areas of Athens and Sparta, and research their laws, money, rulers, rivals and beliefs. The children will use a range of primary and secondary sources to find out about Greek homes, slavery, the role of men and women, and schools. Together we will learn about some of the Gods and Goddesses, and recap on myths and legends from Literacy. Children will also learn about English words that have Greek origins. We will look at temples and different styles of architecture.

Year 3 Summer 1 Groovy Greeks



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 7th May: Greek lady to visit Year 3

Monday 20th May: Class 8 Assembly
2.50pm.

Useful websites

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/ancient_greeks/

<http://www.ngkids.co.uk/history/10-facts-about-the-ancient-greeks>

Numeracy

This half term, the children will revisit the basic operations and consolidate these skills before progressing to the next level. Children will be taught how to explain their mathematical thinking and explore number patterns, linked to place value.

Children will develop written methods of multiplication and division. In doing so, they will develop their recall of the times tables. Children will also be learning how to order and compare fractions, as well as adding fractions with the same denominator. Rulers will be used as a tool to draw straight lines and measure in a range of contexts.

Remember to get your child to log into Times Tables Rockstars throughout the week to help their multiplication and division knowledge.

Science

This half-term we will be continuing our work on plants by investigating the way water is transported via the use of food dye and colourful carnations! We will also look at the life cycle of plants and the different plants that can be found in different parts of the world.

ICT

Children will use ICT as a source to research information about Ancient Greece. They will learn how to crop images, insert and resize.

Children will be continuing to use Scratch to enhance their coding skills. They could have a look at the following website at home, which enables them to submit their own stories:

<http://myths.e2bn.org/create/tool527-story-creator-2.html>

Spanish

This half term we will be learning the Spanish alphabet and how to order an ice cream! Pupils will then learn how to talk about the weather in Spanish.

R.E.

This half term, the children will be looking at the contents and significance of the bible and how important this is for Christians. The children will be thinking about what is valuable to them. Through studying bible passages, the children will be thinking about why certain passages are significant to Christian beliefs.



P.E.

This half term the children will have weekly outdoor PE sessions on a Friday courtesy of NUFC sports outreach! Class 8 will continue with their swimming while Class 7 will learn skills to help them become basketball stars!

Music

This term, we will be learning the songs to accompany our visit to All Saints Church next term. We are looking forward to receiving visitors from the church to help us learn these songs.

PSHE

There will be a big emphasis on how we listen and respond to others constructively. The children will discuss what a dare is and how to challenge stereotypes in a respectful way. Children will look at different scenarios and feelings and learn how to manage these feelings.

Art and DT

Over this half term, the children will be investigating Greek pottery and looking at the different patterns and stories which are shown on Greek pots. Then, children will recreate their own Greek vase, using a fine tip paint brush and cutting techniques to create a silhouette figure. Children will also be making a traditional Greek salad using fresh ingredients!