



Year 5's Newsletter

Summer 1 - 2024

The Teachers in Year 5 are: Mrs Sanderson and Mrs Kaur

Our Topic this Half Term is 'Groundbreaking Greeks'

In the Groundbreaking Greeks project, your child will learn about different periods of Greek history, exploring the earliest civilisations, the devastation of the Dark Age and the breakthroughs and developments of the Archaic and Classical periods. They will understand how the geography of Greece affected the development of city states and explore Athens, learning about the structure of the government and society.

In English, the children will begin the term by studying the myth "The Minotaur" and will write their own variation of this myth. We will continue by reading the book "Who Let The Gods Out" and write character descriptions for the main characters of the book. Later during the term we will be writing a Newspaper report. We will practise the Y5/6 spelling lists; the spellings will be set via Sumdog each week, if you could work with your child on these we would really appreciate your support.

In Drama – The children will be practising for their performance of King Lear throughout this half term. Please encourage children to learn lines and practise at home where possible.

How you could help your child prepare for the topic...

You can help at home by discussing the topics with your children. There are lots of books in local libraries based on the Ancient Greeks and many internet sites you might like to explore with them. There are lots of Horrible Histories videos online to explore.

Maths

In Maths, we will be refreshing the children's skills in negative numbers and roman numerals. We will concentrate on long multiplication and division with remainders, continue to work with fractions and begin to solve problems involving angles.

General Reminders:

PE: P.E is on a Wednesday and Friday. Please make sure earrings are taken out for these sessions. Children should come to school in their P.E kit (white top / black bottoms)

I-Pads: Your child must bring their school i-pad each day and ensure it has been charged at home.

Homework: Your child will be given homework on Purple Mash, Sumdog and Myon, this will be given weekly on a Friday and should be completed and returned on a Thursday.

Reading: Please read your child's reading book with them as often as possible and use MyOn to quiz and read at home too.

Water Bottles: Please make sure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.

Healthy Snack: Children may bring a healthy snack every day for break, fruit or vegetables.

Useful Websites:

www.myon.org.uk

<https://www.purplemash.com/>

<https://trockstars.com/>

www.sumdog.com

Dates for your Diary:

Term begins – 15.4.24

Bank holidays – 6.5.24

Term ends – 23.5.24

Inset day – 24.5.24

Back to School – 3.6.24

Any other Information

Thank you for your continued support. Please don't hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions about your child's learning.