



SCIENCE

This term we are learning all about Space. The children will be learning about the planets, the solar system, the moon and the phases of the moon. The children will be using art, design and drama to help them communicate their understanding of space and science. The children will also be thinking scientifically and developing their enquiry skills. The children are hoping to visit the Planetarium to learn more about space and the universe.



ENGLISH

Key Text:

The Iliad—Gillian Cross
Orchard Book of Greek Myths- Geraldine McCaughrean
The Odyssey- Gillian Cross
Mythologica: An encyclopaedia of gods, monsters and mortals from Ancient Greek- Dr Stephen P. Kershaw



Writing Outcomes:

- Writing a setting description
- Writing a non-chronological report
- Writing a Greek myth

Key Writing Skills:

- Using paragraphs and correct tenses
- Using expanded noun phrases
- Using prepositional phrases

ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

In art and design, the children will be creating Greek vases using clay. They will be sketching and designing their vases and then using tools to create texture and carvings inspired by the Greeks.



GEOGRAPHY

Year 5 will be looking at the expansion of the Greek Empire. They will be using maps and atlases to locate Greece and Athens and will be thinking about how borders changed during the empire.



PSHE / SMSC

This term we are focusing on our rights and responsibilities (both in and out of school). This includes understanding our responsibility to care for the environment.



Curriculum Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM

Magnolia Class (Year 5)

Theme: Greeks

Key Golden Question: What lasting influences have the Greeks had on the modern world?

Hook: Greek afternoon

PE is on: Wednesday

Spellings are due in: by Monday

MATHEMATICS



Topics:

Number: Place Value
Number: Addition, Subtraction
Statistics
Number: Multiplication, Division
Measurement: Perimeter and Area
Arithmetic
Mental Maths
Times Tables
TT Rockstars

MUSIC

Year 5 will be appraising and learning 'Living on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi. They will be thinking about music and forming opinions based on musical understanding. They will also be listening to jazz and composing their own jazz music.



HISTORY



Year 5 will explore the Ancient Greeks. They will investigate the impact the lasting influence of both the Greeks on the western world. They will study the impact of The Greeks in modern times, investigating the rise of democracy, Alexander the Great, key Ancient Greek buildings and the beginnings of trade. Later, they will explore the fall of the Greek Empire and the rise of the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain through their expansion of their empire.

