

Autumn Term

History - Ancient Greece

During the autumn term, we will explore the Ancient Greece timeline, look at trade and learn all about Alexander the Great. We will also explore the lifestyle of the ancient Greeks, including what it was like for children. You will also research what games were like and compare them to modern day games. I am sure you are going to love learning all about the Ancient Greeks!

Art/DT - Ancient Greece

Your art and DT will be linked to our Ancient Greece topic this term. In DT, you will focus on cooking and nutrition. You will be making your very own Greek pitta breads using your knowledge of healthy eating from our science topic. In art, you will be exploring Greek patterns and designing your own Greek pots. You will create them out of clay and paint them to reflect the ancient Greek pottery that you will have researched.

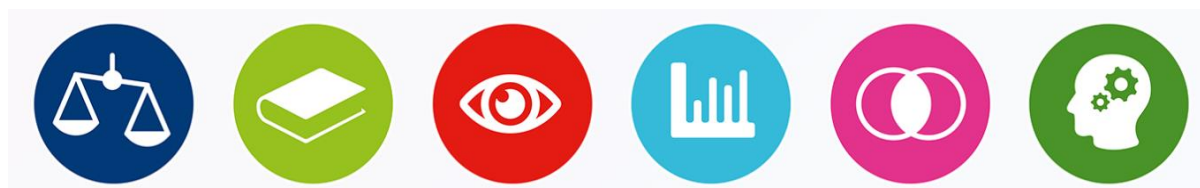
Geography - Europe

In our geography unit you will identify countries and bodies of water in Europe. You will be locating these on a map. We will work together to locate mountain ranges and rivers in Europe. You will learn the names and locations of some of the major capital cities and find facts about them. You will also investigate the climate in different countries in Europe.

Science - Animals including Humans

This term we will recap knowledge of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores before learning all about how to stay fit and healthy. You will become fitness instructors and guide your clients to improve their eating habits and inform them of the best forms of exercise for their needs. Using the enquiry approach symbols below, you will research how much sugar is in certain foods using data provided. You will learn about the food groups and report back to your clients on your findings. The enquiry skills will be used throughout all of your science lessons. Your next topic is forces and magnets where you will develop your skills to understand which materials are magnetic. You will participate in a range of investigations which all start with a BIG question.

Can you identify the different types of enquiry by their symbol?



PE

You will participate in gymnastics every Monday afternoon during the first half term. Our topic is called 'Balancing Act'. You will recap a range of gymnastics vocabulary and demonstrate what you already know before teaming up with a partner to create matching and mirroring sequences. You will adapt and build on your balances each week and incorporate a six sequence movement. Our second PE session will be on a Friday and we will be practising our skills in Arc Rounders. You will have the opportunity to practise your throwing and catching skills to start off with before building up to playing a class game. Remember, **PE kit must be worn to school every**

Monday and Friday. The appropriate kit is plain navy joggers, plain white T-shirts, plain navy hoody/sweater and trainers. It is likely that PE will be held outside and therefore please ensure that you are wearing the appropriate kit! Jewellery should not be worn on PE days - this is for your own safety.

Computing

Every half term we will start computing lessons with online safety. Your first topic is 'Self Image and Identity'. You will focus on how to keep yourself and others safe online by looking at online profiles and discussing the positives and negatives that go with them. Following this, your Purple Mash unit will be learning what spreadsheets are and how to create them.

RE

Your first RE topic is 'What do we know about the Bible and why is it important to Christians?'; you will explore how the Bible came to be written and what the 'big picture' of this book is. Your second topic this term is 'Why do Christians call Jesus the Light of the world?' during which you will explore how and why Jesus is associated with light at Christmas.

Spanish

You will focus on Spanish phonics during the first half term. You will also explore the countries of the Spanish-speaking world including locating these on a map and reading about their famous landmarks. The whole school will be celebrating the National Day of Spain by exploring Spanish culture and lifestyles. At the end of the half-term you will complete activities relating to a famous Mexican tradition which always proves to be a fun lesson! During the second half term, you will learn vocabulary relating to animals including more complex grammar such as the use of the indefinite article and you will also study Spanish Christmas customs.

PSHE

Your topic is 'Me and my relationships' during the first half term. We will start by discussing rules in school and in various places we visit. During the second half term, you will learn about valuing differences.

Music

During the first half term, Mrs Coulls will be delivering recorder lessons to you. You will start by learning how to hold the recorder correctly then you will learn how to play A and B notes to create short rhythms. In the second half term Miss Forth will be teaching music and the theme is 'Enjoying Improvisation'. You will look at which stories tell us music about the past.

English

Our novel for this term is 'Who Let the Gods Out?' by Maz Evans. This book is all about a young boy named Elliot, who meets the zodiac council. He goes on an adventure with Virgo (an immortal star) to find prisoner forty-two. What he doesn't realise is that prisoner forty-two is an evil daemon of death called Thanatos! You will explore persuasive writing, character description and story writing while developing your grammar and spelling skills along the way! Are you ready for an epic novel linked to the Greeks?! I can't wait to read your stories!

Maths

Our focus for this term is going to be all about number. We will spend the first few weeks learning about place value - representing 3 and 4 digit numbers. You will learn how to partition numbers and understand the value in each column, including the thousands, hundreds, tens and ones columns. You will also learn how to write numbers in their written form before comparing numbers on a number line.

You will also be developing your mental strategies for adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing before practicing the standard written methods for all four operations.

There will also be a focus on multiplication and division and you will learn how to set out short multiplication and division calculations.