

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5 Autumn 2020

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Miss Smith

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This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term;

	English	In English all pupils will be taught in two ability groups where they will develop their skills and knowledge of spelling rules, grammar and punctuation. Both classes will have a shared texts based on The Greeks and much of our writing will revolve around the myths and Greek way of life. Reading is vitally important and we will complete guided reading activities each week. We will also focus on handwriting to improve the level of presentation.
	Maths	In Maths we will be studying place value initially as well as the four rules of number. We will be making sure that all pupils have the opportunity to reason about numbers as well as problem solve and apply their knowledge to a range of tasks. Times tables will be taught and tested each week. We will also be linking our Maths to our Greek topic through data handling and number problems.
	Topic	Our topic this term is Ancient Greece. We will be learning about the Persian Wars, gods and goddesses, and famous myths and legends. In addition, we will look at Greek life - past and present - including food, entertainment, culture and democracy. Geographical understanding of modern Greece will also be taught, looking at Greece within Europe and its physical geography. Our Art and DT will be linked to The Greeks. We will be making a Greek sculpture and a moveable Greek toy.
	Science	The topic for the Autumn term will be Materials and their Properties. The children will compare and group everyday materials on the basis of their properties and learn about changes of state. They will learn through practical 'hands-on' investigations where possible.
	Religious Education	Pupils will be encouraged to share their thoughts and views in response to what they have learnt. We will be studying the Christian and Muslim teachings of 'love one another.' through the study of extracts from the Bible and the Quran.
	Music	We are very fortunate this term because all our music curriculum will be taught by Mrs Barnfather. This will include playing tuned and un-tuned instruments, e.g. glockenspiel and xylophone. We will also compose music. Recorder groups will also take place on a Wednesday.
	PSHE	At the start of the new school year we will be focusing on Relationships and discussing through P4c sessions questions such as: What is bullying? Why is it wrong? What is anti-social behaviour? Why is it wrong? As well these questions, we will be including our school values throughout our curriculum.
	Computing	This term we will be building on previous knowledge of coding and internet research that we can apply to our topic. We will also make sure that we continue to emphasise the importance of e-safety to the children through a range of targeted activities.
	PE	We are very happy that Mr Whitehouse will continue to work in our team to provide us with high quality specialist teaching of sport on Fridays. The sports for this term will include tag rugby and netball. On Mondays children will take part in cross country activities. On both days children are required to come to school in clothing suitable for sporting events. Please ensure that children have removed their earrings and that your child's inhaler is in school.
	Language	Children will continue to develop their written and spoken French within the theme of 'School life', naming objects in the class and to be able to describe their position.

Additional Information: PLEASE READ REGULARLY AT HOME WITH YOUR CHILD. We will be continuing the VIP club so your signatures will be important. Please make sure your child knows their times tables as they will be tested on them regularly. Our homework for Maths will continue to be sent via My Maths. Children will be provided with their log in names and passwords. English homework will be spelling based. Homework will be given out on Friday and will need to be handed in by Monday.