

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Home Learning Ideas	<p>The children will be given a 'Topic Homework Grid'. The children are to complete a piece of homework chosen from the grid once every fortnight. These will be shared and celebrated during topic lessons and help form part of the children's topic learning journey.</p> <p>Any further work or activities the children create will be welcomed and celebrated too.</p>
Requests for support	<p>If you feel you would like to and are available to help in the classroom, please let us know. Your assistance in any form is much welcomed and appreciated.</p>
Useful Websites	<p><a href="http://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-Greece.html">www.historyforkids.net/ancient-Greece.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://BBC.BitesizeKS2—AncientGreece">BBC Bitesize KS2—Ancient Greece</a></p> <p><a href="http://NationalGeographicKids—DiscoverAncientGreece">National Geographic Kids—Discover Ancient Greece</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_greece.php">www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_greece.php</a></p> <p><a href="http://greece.mrdonn.org">http://greece.mrdonn.org</a></p>

*Year 5*

*Topic and Curriculum*

*Overview*

*Autumn 2019*



## English

English this term will be based around the book 'The Adventures of Odysseus'. These stories of the legendary Greek hero's return from Ithaca fighting in the Trojan wars is beset by danger, challenges and tragedy. The stories cover themes of good and evil, the nature of heroism, taking responsibility for our actions within a classic voyage and return narrative. Genres covered will include: Letter writing, play scripts, diary entries, descriptive writing, storytelling, role play, and report and narrative writing.

In spellings, initially we will be consolidating Year 4 spelling units and words before introducing the Year 5 curriculum over the coming weeks.

Throughout English lessons we will be focusing on specific Year 5 punctuation and grammar objectives including relative clauses, parenthesis and possessive apostrophes

## Geography

We will be using atlases and research to locate and compare modern day Greece with Ancient Greece and its context within the world and look at the Ancient Greek Empire and how vastly it expanded.

## PSHE

### "We're all Stars"

The children will learn about and discuss their own talents, and talents of others, role models to them and look to create a plan for a 'Dream School'.

## RE

### 'Why do some people inspire others?'

The children will look to develop their understanding of significant religious figures and some modern inspirational people and begin to think about who inspires them to act or believe in particular ways.

## PE

This term the children will engage in Tag Rugby. Skills they will develop include teamwork, tactical awareness and control and technique.

Indoors we will be taking part in Dodge ball focusing on agility, balance and flexibility.

Swimming will also take place for the first 3 weeks starting w/b 9th September, every Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Topic

The children will explore what life was like in Ancient Greece, and learn many aspects of why this period has such an important place in History. Areas will include:

- The role of men and women in the Ancient Greek society
- To understand the social diversity of Ancient Greek civilisations including comparisons between Athenian and Spartan life
- The legacy of Greek culture (art, architecture and literature) on later periods in British history, including the present day
- Democracy and its development to present day
- The different Gods, and myths from Ancient Greece
- Famous Greeks from history
- The Greek alphabet and discover its links to our own
- The Olympic Games

## Science

### 'Properties and Changes of Materials'

This area of learning will include investigating properties of materials including their hardness, transparency and conductivity for specific purposes. We will then experiment the changes which materials can make including the solubility and the response to magnets.

## Computing

The children will develop further their coding skills. Children will have the opportunity to explore program design and put computational thinking into practice.

## Maths

A large part of Autumn Term will be focused on developing the recall and application of mental maths: times tables, square and prime numbers. We will be using the column method to consolidate the addition and subtraction of whole and decimal numbers. Strategies and methods for multiplication and division will also be explored. We will be revising the recognition of inverse relationships between all four operations and will look at complex word problems. Later this term we will be looking at the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also look at standard and non-standard units of measurement and begin to convert units of metric measurement.

## Art and DT

The children will use sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas, use a variety of techniques including painting and sculpturing and learn about architects from the Ancient Greek period.

