

Autumn Term 2016

Year 5 Puffins



It's All Greek to Me!

English

In English this term the children will be reading Marcia Williams' "Greek Myths" and "Mythology" by Dugald Steer.

They will learn about heroes and villains of Greek myths and create their own versions in prose and cartoon strip form.

We will be learning about suffixes and paragraphs in grammar, as well as consolidating grammar and spelling taught in Year 4.

We will use our history and geography work as an inspiration for diaries, explanation texts and persuasive letters and debates. Later in the term, we will be investigating an Ancient Greek crime mystery, and will write Ancient Greek police reports and witness statements.

Mathematics

In Maths the children will cover all areas of the curriculum including calculations, measurement, handling data and understanding shape. Children will practice and develop their knowledge of times tables facts and number bonds, to ensure success throughout the whole mathematics curriculum. Children will carry out investigations and widen their experience of practical maths.

History/Geography

Ancient Greece/ Modern Greece

This term, Year 5 are studying the legacy of Ancient Greece. We will find out about the daily life of Greeks in ancient times, as well as studying the geography and culture of modern Greece. Children will complete map work and investigations into the islands and seas of Greece, and will learn some simple Greek phrases that they can use in our taverna on our Greek day later in the term.

Music

During music lessons the children will be learning about Samba music. They will find out about the origins of Samba and the instruments used in batucada. They will also learn how to produce sounds and play samba rhythms as a band.

Science

Science this term will include investigations of the Earth, Sun and Moon and their shape and relative size. Children will find out about seasons and moon phases. They will learn about working scientifically and how to record their investigations.

Art/DT

In Art and DT we will follow the theme of Ancient Greeks and will create Greek pots in 2D and 3D materials. They will also explore Greek theatre and create a theatre mask. Through this they will develop their experience of mixed media and learn about colour, line and form.

PE

Children will have the opportunity in PE to develop their teamwork skills through a variety of team games, while also developing individual skills in both dance and gymnastics.

RE/PHSE

In RE and PHSE we will be looking at new beginnings and relationships with others as well as the beliefs and customs of Buddhism.

French

Children will be learning to ask and answer simple questions in French. They will learn to read and write simple sentences. The theme of the learning is "Mon école et moi."

