

# Year 5 Newsletter

Summer 1



Welcome back Year 5!

We hope you had a fantastic Easter break! We cannot wait to hear all about it.

In this newsletter, you will find out about some of the learning we have coming up this half term!

PE Day:

**Tuesday**



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Thank you parents for all your continued support. As always, if you need to get in contact with any of us, you can call the school, email us or pop up to your child's classroom at the end of the day.

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## Diary Dates

**Bank Holidays: Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May.**

**Friday 19th May - Ancient Greek day**  
(A separate letter will be sent out with details about this)

### Newsletter challenge:

Together with your child, read through and have a go at the tasks on this newsletter and tick the boxes when you have completed

In PSHE this half term, we will be learning all about how we can be a good friend and build solid relationships. We will think about how we can solve friendship problems when they occur and how we can make people feel like part of a group.

PSHE challenge: Can you brainstorm all of the qualities you think makes a good friend?

## Spellings

Each week, your child will come home with a set of spellings. It is important that the children practise their spellings at home. We will have a spelling test every week to see the progress they have made!

Tick this box if you have practised your spellings at home!



## English

In English this half term, we will be looking at some very exciting Greek Myths, including the story of Theseus and the Minotaur! We will continue to work on our descriptive language, grammar and punctuation. We will be writing our own character descriptions of Ancient Greek legends and later on in the half term we will be writing our own Ancient Greek myth!

Can you retell an Ancient Greek myth to an adult at home? See if you can include powerful language in your descriptions to make your retell super exciting!

## Science

As scientists we will be learning about habitats and life cycles. We will focus on the life cycles of animals and plants and look at how different living things can be classified.

Challenge: Ask an adult at home to pick an animal or plant. Can you research and draw the life cycle of that living thing?

## Art

In art this half term we will look at Ancient Greek art, in particular Greek pots. We will develop our clay skills and look at different techniques we could use to create our own Greek pot! Challenge: Can you sketch a Greek pot?

## RE

In RE we will be looking the Hindu view on Karma.

Challenge: Can you explain this belief to an adult at home?

## Maths

We are going to start the half term by returning to our capacity learning, solving problems involving converting between ml and L. We will then move on to some brand new learning where we will learn how to calculate volume!

We are looking forward to continuing with some work on fractions, decimals and percentages. This half term we will learn how to calculate parentages of amounts and how to order decimal numbers.

Challenge: Can you order these decimals from smallest to largest?

0.42    0.402    0.2    0.4    0.204

## History

We have some super exciting learning this half term in History—we will be looking at the Ancient Greeks!

We will be learning about what life was like at the time and how the Greeks have influenced life as we know it today!

Challenge: Can you create a poster explaining to a year 4 child, what life was like in Ancient Greek times?

## Home Learning

As well as practising your spellings, it is really important that you remember to read at home too! You could read to an adult, a younger brother or sister, or you could just read to yourself! You will have the opportunity to change your library book every week!

Tick this box if you regularly read at home!

Miss Dennis is currently reading Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone.  
Miss Dewing is currently reading Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan!