

Year 5 Newsletter

Summer 1



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Welcome back to the summer term! We hope you all had a fun and restful Easter break and ate lots of chocolate!

We're looking forward to all our new summer learning and some sunshine hopefully!

Don't forget about the Marvellous Me app: so that you can keep up to date with all your child's achievements and all the things that happen in school!

Just another reminder that your child is able to bring in a healthy snack for break time (e.g. fruit and cereal bars) to tide them over until lunchtime.

PE Day:

All children will need to have their PE kit in school for **Thursday** afternoons.

As the weather starts to warm up (finger's crossed!) please make sure your child has suitable clothes in school to ensure they are cool.

Sadly, we have had a large number of children without PE kits. Therefore, please can you ensure your child does have a kit in school. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Friday 19th March and Monday 22nd April — Southsea beach trip (5ND 19th and 5EW 22nd)

Monday 6th May — BANK HOLIDAY

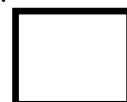
Monday 20th May — Greek day (separate letter to follow)

Friday 24th May — Sports Day

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 them.

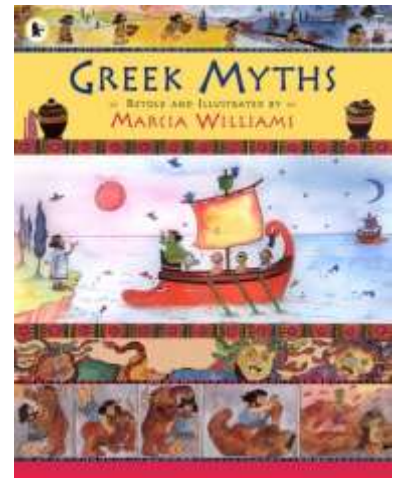
Science

This half term, we are learning about life cycles and will be explaining the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. We will then describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals and describe the changes as humans develop from birth to old age. Ask an adult at home to pick an animal or plant. Can you research and draw the life cycle of that living thing?



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 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 it interesting!

In RE

Hinduism

Theme: Beliefs and Moral Values

Key question: Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives?

A Greek Pot:



Computing

In this unit, we will find out that vector images are made up of shapes. We will learn how to use different drawing tools and how images are created in layers. We will explore the ways in which images can be grouped and duplicated to create more complex pieces of work.



How many shapes can you name?

Maths

In Maths, we will be concentrating on short division and how to do this formally. We will continue to look at factors, prime numbers, square numbers and cubed numbers.

We will then focus on geometry and look back at translation and reflection.

We will finish the half term consolidating our four operation knowledge and by re-looking at formal addition and subtraction.

How many prime numbers can you name?
Which number is the only even prime number?

Home Learning

We are continuing to encourage children to work on their times table facts and spelling the 3/4 and 5/6 spelling lists.

We would love your support in helping us to actively encourage your child to continue to develop a love of reading by reading at home throughout the week.