

# Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 5 Autumn 2018

Mrs Mitchell

Miss Smith

Mrs Mason

Mrs Wilkes

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

	<b>English</b>	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 reading book based on The Greeks and all our writing will revolve around the characters and events in that book. 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.
	<b>Maths</b>	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.
	<b>Topic</b>	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 as we make clay tiles of Greek gods and a moveable Greek toy.
	<b>Science</b>	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.
	<b>Religious Education</b>	We will be exploring the idea of retaliation and thinking about the question 'Is getting your own back OK?' We will be linking this to the Christian and Muslim teachings of 'love one another.' through the study of extracts from the Bible and the Quran.
	<b>Music</b>	We are very fortunate this term because all our music curriculum will be taught by Mrs Barnfather. This will include singing, playing tuned and un-tuned instruments and composing music.
	<b>PSHE</b>	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?
	<b>Computing</b>	This term we will be building on previous knowledge of coding as well as developing basic word processing skills 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.
	<b>PE</b>	We are very happy that Mr Whitehouse will continue to work in our team to provide us with high quality specialist teaching of sport. The sports for this term will include tag rugby and gymnastics. We urge you to provide suitable PE kit for your child that should be kept in school at all times. To include shorts, t shirt and indoor pumps as well as outdoor trainers and if they wish pupils can bring some extra clothing to wear outside.
	<b>Language</b>	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 and English will be sent home on a Friday to be handed in on the following Wednesday and there will also be Topic homework which will be a range of challenges sent home to be completed by the end of the term.