

What are we learning about in the Spring term?

Theme

The theme this term is Greece lightning and will take a historical focus on Ancient Greece. The children will have the opportunity to study ancient Greek civilization and will also take a close look at Greek architecture. They will explore the history of the Olympic Games and establish what that tells us about the past. They will also explore, compare and debate about life in Athens and Sparta.

English

As writers we will :-

- Take on the role of journalists to write news reports on the battle of marathon.
- Read a variety of texts and summaries to inform decisions about Athens.
- Write a newspaper report detailing the significance of the battle of Marathon.
- Focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar and develop skills and understanding.
- Investigate and understand Greek origins of words.

Guided reading will continue with a class text that children read for understanding and dissect with regards to storyline and structure.

Coughton CofE Primary School Acer



Mathematics

As mathematicians we will :-

- Find out about the Greek mathematician Pythagoras.
- Recall and use $3x, 4x$ and $8x$ tables.
- Use mental and formal written methods to multiply and divide two digit numbers by one digit.
- Add and subtract money, giving change.
- Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and graphs.
- Measure, compare, add and subtract measures. (length, mass and capacity)
- Measure and calculate perimeter of 2D shapes.
- Recognise unit and non-unit fractions with small denominators.
- To count up and down in tenths.

Science and Foundation Subjects

- As scientists we will continue to develop our planning, investigation and analysis skills, with a focus on Rocks and soils. We will discuss the impact of the environment on the animals we find here at home and in Greece.
- As geographers, we will develop mapping skills by locating Greece and its' major islands, we will compare and contrast Greece and Britain as tourist destinations, looking at climate, landscape, infrastructure and cost.
- As historians we will learn about key dates marking major developments in Ancient Greek history, the history of the Olympic Games
- As designers we will explore ancient designs for ideas that have improved our lives, could we improve or adapt them?
- As musicians we will be looking at how ancient/traditional and modern instruments have evolved since the time of the ancient Greeks. We will try to imitate the traditional rhythms and melodies using modern instruments.
- In computing we will continue to use Scratch to code and learn how to debug a programme, we will explore the use of technology in our everyday lives and how to stay safe online.
- In religious education, we will be learning about religions from around the world and the role models that inspire us to be the best that we can be.
- As linguists we will continue to develop our confidence in French, developing both written and spoken skills.
- We will communicate and negotiate with others through their collaborative learning in Teaching and Learning Partners (TLP's) and small groups.

Class routines

PE on Wednesday, Spellings will be set and tested on Friday, could the spelling sentences be returned by Thursday to be marked.. On Tuesday the children will have Forest School, led by Mrs Langley and Mrs Ward.