

Mathematics

Working with number is a key skill in life. Transform yourself into a mathematician while we improve our knowledge of:

- Fractions: calculating
- Measurement: Area and volume
- Geometry: Properties of shape
- Measurement: time

English

After some excellent writing during the Spring term, we will be continuing to use a growing range of punctuation, vocabulary and sentence structures in our writing during the spring term. We will be working to improve our writing further with features such as:

- **Improved cohesion across paragraphs—the bits that hold it together**
- **Using modal verbs (could, should, would ...)to indicate degrees of possibility**
- **Using a wider range of sentence structures with continued focus on the use of main and subordinate clauses**

Class reader this term will see us reading *The Dream Snatcher* by Abi Elphinstone

History

We will be taking on the role of historians and explorers, using a range of sources to learn about the past. We will look at when the Ancient Greek civilisation existed and where it sits in the timeline of events in world history. We will use primary and secondary sources to help unveil the past and learn about:

- the Ancient Greek legacy of democracy and how this has impacted on our lives now.
- The Olympics to compare past and present events.
- Greek architects, scientists and philosophers, to make links to their impact on our world now.

French

Speaking a foreign language is an important life-skill. We will be continuing to develop our understanding of the French language to confidently have a conversation in French and learn about the places in town.

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Ancient Greeks

This theme will see us exploring the ancient civilisation of the Greeks and the legacies they left behind.

Science

Being a scientist involves lots of exciting learning and testing. This term continues to build on skills learnt previously and further improve our understanding of fair testing, researching and observing over time.

- As scientists, we will be exploring the amazing theme of space to find out what happens in the sky above us:
- to know the names of the planets of the solar system.
 - understand how we get day and night.
 - know about the term the 'Geocentric model'
 - to explore the movement of the Earth, Moon and other

Computing

Creating Media and Programming

We will be creating vector drawings by using different drawing tools and considering layering and grouping of objects to create images. We will also use our knowledge of writing programs and using selection to design a quiz.

In our Digital Futures lessons, we will look at the ways technology can affect health and well-being both positively and negatively. We will also look at how to ensure our privacy and about copyright and ownership.

PSHE

We will continue to develop the knowledge, skills and attributes we need to help keep ourselves healthy and safe, particularly focusing on our mental health and our work associated with the 5 ways to wellbeing. We will in summer term 2 be covering our RSE lessons - further details about this in a separate letter .

P.E.

Keeping fit and participating in at least 2 hours physical activity is important for both body and mind.

This term we will be enhancing our skills in cricket, Forest School and athletic skills.

Music

As musicians, we will continue to develop our notation knowledge and use this in order to compose and perform. We will be exploring the evocative music of Gustav Holst, focusing on *The Planets Suite* that links beautifully with our Science work on space

R.E.

Learning about, and understanding, the beliefs of others is key in creating better appreciation of people in our community.

- Christians and how to live: 'What would Jesus do?'
- What matters most to Humanists and Christians?

D.T. and Art

We will develop our art and design outcomes through learning about the work completed by Greek artists as well as practising our work with malleable materials.

As designers, we will research, design, make, develop and evaluate the sequences needed to create a salad using inspiration from Greek salads.