

The Topic is

Ancient Greece



Literacy

Writing:

Our focus

Reading - We aim to do some reading in school every day, whether this is guided reading, individual reading or whole class reading. This term we are all taking part in a Fluency project, as research has shown that paying really close and dedicated time to children's fluency in reading, can help their overall reading standard to improve dramatically.

Spelling - as well as the 'Sounds spelling' that we do in school every day in Owls class, everyone in Owls class will also be taking 5 spellings home each week which are key words that they need to know from the government statutory spelling list.

Maths

We will be looking carefully at 2-D and 3-D shape. We will be comparing geometric shapes including triangles and quadrilaterals and identifying and comparing a range of angles including acute and obtuse. We will make a range 3-D shapes and be describing these.

Science

Following on from our trip to the zoo, we will be observing and describing the life cycle of an amphibian, learning more about food chains in the animal world. We will consider habitats and collect data from simple weather observations in school.

Art/DT

With links to our zoo visit and our science topic, the children will design and make a soft toy using textiles, with a focus on pattern and simple stitching to create and decorate their toy.

French: We will continue to listen to French, speak in French and write in French. We will be having a French café with French food and drink which we will need to order in French. We will be making small talk with the waitress about the weather. We will also visit the 'docteur' and tell him how we are feeling using our knowledge of French for parts of the body.

PSHE: This half term we will be learning more about Diverse Britain. We will be thinking about what we think it means to be British and challenging some of the stereotypes surrounding this. We will be learning about British values such as democracy, liberty and tolerance.

Music: We are continuing with our recorder practice, and developing our ability to read music, with an aim to perform two or three short pieces to a wider audience before Easter. We will listen to a selection of composers who have written pieces linked to animals including Saint-Saens and Rimsky Korsakov.

RE: We are continuing our work on Worship, Pilgrimage and Sacred Places, in particular the Hindu faith in comparison to Christianity.

ICT: We will continue our animation skills focusing on a further animation.

Physical Education: This half term our PE lessons link to our Ancient Greece topic. We will be doing an athletic block linked to the Ancient Greek Olympics and we will also be learning a Greek dance.

History:

We are continuing our theme on Ancient Greece with a closer look at City states, including Sparta and a look at daily life for ordinary men, women and children.

Experiences: We will be continuing with our 'Nature Walks' on a Friday which is our opportunity to focus on outdoor learning. Many of these sessions then have an art/DT related creative outcome. Sometimes we will go in the morning, sometimes the afternoon depending on the weather. We will be having a Greek Day at the end of our Ancient Greece topic.