

Art

We will begin by completing our observational rainforest animal art, blending oil pastels for effect. Then, linked to our topic Ancient Greece, the children will be learning about the origin of Greek pottery and their designs. They will sketch their own designs, which they will then use to create their own clay pottery piece using clay techniques. The children will then paint their designs onto the pot and varnish it.

We will begin our DT project, creating an Ancient Greek moving toy with belts and pulleys. This will run until the end of May half term.



Year 5, Summer 2021



Physical Education

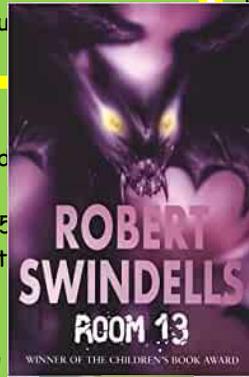
Children should have their P.E kits with them every day - please ensure they are ready for all weathers and labelled.



Netball - Pupils will develop defending and attacking play during even-sided 5-a-side matches. They will learn to use a range of different passes to keep possession and attack the goal. We will all be encouraged to work collaboratively to think about how to win, develop strategies, and tactics to outwit the opposition.

Rounders - children will be taught a range of skills to equip them for playing rounders games.

In term 6, we will have a coach for basketball and learn to play tennis.



Literacy

We will begin our term looking at classic narrative poetry and will focus on the poem 'The Walrus and the Carpenter' by Lewis Carroll. Our next topic is Myths and Legends - in this, we will internalise well known Ancient Greek myths which we can then innovate in different perspectives / genres before then planning, writing, and publishing our very own myth.

Next term, we will continue our Myth and Legend theme, linking it to non-chronological reports and then learn to write playscripts, using Shakespeare as a model.

The children will learn to:

- Use similar writing as models for their own
- Note and develop initial ideas, drawing on reading
- Select appropriate vocabulary and understand how such choices can enhance meaning
- Describe settings, characters and atmosphere and integrate dialogue
- Precis longer passages
- Use a wide range of devices to build cohesion
- Use paragraphs to structure
- Assess their own and others' writing
- Ensure the correct use of punctuation and grammar
- Use expanded noun phrases
- Use commas to clarify meaning
- Use and understand the use of apostrophes
- Use semi-colons, colons and dashes to link independent clauses.
- Use a colon to introduce a list.
- Use bullet points consistently.

Reading is the **KEY** to learning

Welcome back to Summer Term 5! 😊 I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday.

I am so looking forward to all the new memories and learning we will create this term. Our new, exciting topic is Ancient Greece and so we will have a big focus on this throughout our curriculum.

This term, P.E is on a Wednesday afternoon and Thursday afternoon. Please can children ensure they have their kit for these days and that it is fit for all weathers.

Mrs Froggatt will teach the children on a Thursday afternoon. She will teach art and DT, and RE and ICT next term. Mr Seaborne will continue teaching the class science and music on a Monday afternoon.

Weekly home learning (homework) will be handed out on a Friday, to be due the following Wednesday, and will consist of three parts: being heard to read 3x or more to an adult if possible (please sign the homework book); spelling practice for the week's key words and a piece of learning for another part of the curriculum. In Year 5, children are encouraged to value their learning and so all children are expected to complete it to further their own education.

Thank you for all your support so far. Please feel free to email / call me if you have any questions about your child's progress or wellbeing.

Warmest wishes,
Miss Moore

Reading

- After finishing and thoroughly enjoying *The Graveyard Riddle* by Lisa Thompson, the class have voted for our new class book, and *Room 13* by Robert Swindells gained the majority vote. After this, we will read the heart-warming book *The Boy at the Back of the Class*! If your child has either or could acquire one, it would be brilliant to bring it in to read along in our daily story time at the end of each day.
- Each child will continue to be heard once a week and will also have a session complete a series of comprehension questions.
- Thank you for your support in listening to your children read at home. This really helps to increase their vocabulary and help to foster their love of reading! We have a class of reading enthusiasts, which is amazing!
Please find a list of recommended reads for children on our website under 'Reading for Pleasure' or email me if you have any questions or would like any recommendations.

Numeracy

In maths this term, we are going to be mastering our four operations and their methods and securing our understanding on number and place value. We also will learn lots in our geometry and measure units.

A focus will be on:

- Adding / subtracting fractions
- Measuring and drawing angles
- Understanding angles on a straight line
- Understanding angles in a full turn
- Drawing polygons to given dimensions
- Classifying quadrilaterals
- Distinguishing between irregular and regular polygons
- Understanding percentages
- Understanding equivalence between percentages and fractions
- Using equivalence to find fractions
- Answering word problems with percentages
- Using mental strategies to add and subtract
- Mental multiplication and division strategies
- Mental multiplication and division problems
- Solving single- and multi-step problems, working out which calculation(s) are necessary.
- Finding common multiples and factors
- Solving problems requiring scaling by simple fractions.
- Recognising and using square numbers and cube numbers. -Convert between metres and kilometres
- Knowing regularly used imperial units and approximate metric equivalents.
- Finding the perimeters of rectangles and composite shapes.
- Working out the missing lengths of sides in order to find perimeters.

Times Tables are still a big focus in Year 5. Daily practise for a few minutes on Times Table Rockstar really improves speed and accuracy. To become a Rockstar means that a child has mastered their times tables!



History

The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning all about Fairtrade, but now it is time to move on to our new, exciting topic: Ancient Greece!

These lessons will take place during topic time, but also through art and literacy. They will learn a lot about Ancient Greece throughout the term, such as:

- Locating Greece on a map, identifying features
- Putting it into a timeline of historical events
- The ancient Greek government and differences between Athens and Sparta
- The battle of Marathon
- Greek Theatre
- Greek Gods and Goddesses
- Life for children
- A range of other Greek myths



French

We are going to begin our French unit this term and kick it off by revising the essentials: greetings, introducing ourselves, colours, numbers and body parts. We will ensure we are confident with French dictionaries and learn lots of songs in the language.



Science

Mr Seaborne will teach this on a Monday.

In science we will be looking at materials; their properties and how and why they can be changed.

Religious Education

We are continuing our learning about Hinduism this term with this focus: 'Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives?'

After May half term they will be learning what it means (for Christians) if God is holy and loving.

Information Technology

This term, we will be using Scratch to build and edit algorithms for simple games. It is designed to help children develop their skills in writing their own algorithms as well as editing and debugging existing codes. We will focus this around Ancient Greek myths.

PSHE

The children will be learning the topic 'My Friends and Family'. In this they will understand the changes that occur to humans as we get older and ways to deal with embarrassment. This also includes parenting and personal hygiene. Next term, they will be learning with how to respond to difficult changes in life, such as loss and bereavement.



Music

Mr Seaborne will teach this on Mondays.

In Music we will be looking at rhythm, beat and musical notation. We will also be looking at the instruments of the Orchestra, basing work on the BBC 10 pieces such as Firebird by Igor Stravinsky.