

Topic Information - Summer Term – Year 4

I can't believe we are in the last term of the year! The time has flown by and your children are growing and learning so fast!

This term's topic is Ancient Greece. We will be discovering this amazing civilisation in many exciting ways.

We will be exploring the myth of Perseus in our literacy, and reflecting on this difficult and treacherous journey for our hero. Children will be continuing to develop accurate speech punctuation and homework will be given to develop this important aspect of story writing. Children will have more Maths test paper questions as homework to develop test skills in readiness for Middle school.

Alongside this weekly homework, children have optional homework projects. These projects will link into classwork. They are designed to develop greater depth creativity, original thinking and research skills needed as their learning journey progresses. Projects must be handed in by the last week of half term. There will be prizes for effort and originality.

There is a choice of Ancient Greek projects:

- Design and make an ancient Greek vase
- Design and make an ancient Greek statue of a roman god or goddess using junk materials
- Create a game based on Ancient Greek life with rules and instructions.
- Research into Ancient Greek life and write and illustrate a booklet on Ancient Greece.

Encourage your child to have a go at one of these projects to enrich their learning.

Please also continue to use dictionaries with your child and have fun with spelling quizzes. This really is an area of the curriculum that all children need to really master no. Attached are the lists of spellings for the half term linked to our No Nonsense spelling programme.

Please make sure your child absolutely knows their table facts. This is a very vital tool for all mathematical learning.

Rudaina has received the first multiplication certificate of the year to be presented by Mrs Fearn.

Well Done Rudaina!

Thank you for your continued support. Your children have achieved astonishing things this year. Their future is very bright!

Miss Dowling and the Year 4 Team

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Easter

Pentecost and mission

PSHE-Getting on and falling out

Geography

Looking at trade and industry links in Greece.

Locating Greece on a map and recognising physical and human features that could influence trade.

Weather maps of Greece

Habitat Science

Recognising that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways

Exploring and using classification keys.
Exploring our immediate school grounds for habitats.

Art

Greek vase designs and clay work

Prints of Medusa

Maths

Data

Ongoing calculations

Coordinates

Area and perimeter

Converting measures

Money problems

History

Looking at childhood in Ancient Greece.

Putting Ancient Greek civilisation on a chronological timeline.
Investigating the values of Athenians and Spartans.
Looking at Greek Soldiers.
Drawing and investigating artefacts from Ancient Greece on British Museum website.

Literacy

Perseus myth

Speech punctuation in role as the blacksmith
Speech punctuation as the three witches
Instructions on how to trap a Greek mythical monster.

No nonsense spelling
Performing poems



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