



# Curriculum News

## Summer 1 - Year 5

### English:

In English we will be reading a selection of Greek Myths and this will lead to the children writing their own myths. Also, they will continue to explore other genres of writing which will include compiling a set of instructions, explanations, a newspaper report and a non chronological report. We will also be developing our inference and prediction skills when reading our anthology of Greek Myths.

### Maths:

In Maths, we will be focussing on adding, subtracting and multiplying decimal numbers. Also, we will be using the four number operations to solve multi step word problems.

In measurement, we will be solving problems linked to length, volume and money.

Finally, we will be measuring and calculating the perimeter of a range of compound shapes.

### Reading:

In Guided Reading we will be reading a selection of Greek Myths to further develop our comprehension skills. We will achieve this by focusing on inferring, predicting, clarifying and summarising from different parts of the text. Every morning we start the day with silent reading. Children are encouraged to chose a book and stick with it until they have finished it.

Children will bring home a reading book from school, which they need to read each night. After reading, children need to write a short summary in their reading record. Reading records and books need to be brought to school every day.

In **Topic** this term, we will be studying Ancient Greece way of life and culture. This will link with our Art, Computing and English.

In **Science** we will looking at different types of *forces* including gravity, friction, air resistance, water resistance, surface resistance and magnetic *forces*.

In **P.E** our unit of work is 'striking and fielding' in Cricket. We will be learning to catch the moving ball, strike the ball confidently and bowl the ball accurately in a straight line. We will then be learning the basic tactics for the game including fielding and anticipating where the ball is going to go.

### SEAL/PSHE

This term we will learn about optimism. We will have a series of discussions on the importance of choosing to view life optimistically. Also, the children will be taught the we can train our brains to think optimistically, just as we train our bodies to do specific tasks.

### Diary dates

19th April - MEND parent workshop  
(3.30-4.30pm)

24th April - Parents' Evening  
(school closes at 2pm)

30th April - IntoUniversity Workshop

7th May - Bank Holiday (school closed)

17th May - MEND parent workshop  
3.30-4.30pm

24th May - Trip to British Museum

### Homework:

We encourage parents/ carers to read with their children as often as possible. The books you share should include books from school, the library or books you may have at home. They should read for at least 20 minutes. Children should be encouraged to practise their times tables and the corresponding division facts. It is also very important for them to learn all the words from the Year 5 and 6 spelling list. They need to practise a few words every day.