

**LITERACY:** This half term our literacy lessons will be largely based on Talk for Writing. We will also investigate Greek myths and identify the recurring themes. The children will use their knowledge to plan and write their own myth. We will continue to develop other forms of writing through Big Writing.

**P.E.:** The children will be learning ball and racket skills in order to play tennis-based games. They will also be developing skills and tactics in invasion games.

**MATHS:** The children will use a range of resources to develop their knowledge of number facts and calculating using all four operations, including problems with more than one step. They will undertake problem solving activities on a regular basis. We will also begin to learn about decimals and solve problems involving money and measures. The children will continue to consolidate their knowledge of the 3, 4 6 and 8 times tables.

**FRENCH:** The children will be learning the vocabulary for classroom instructions, their bodies, actions, colours and clothes.

**MUSIC:** The children will continue to learn to play the cornet. The children will consolidate their learning of the notes C, D, E, F and G and begin to explore a wider range of notation.

Year 3 Topic Planner for Parents.  
Summer Term A 2021  
*The Ancient Greeks*

**HISTORY:** The children will find out about life in ancient Greece. We will use a wide range of activities, including collaborative group work, a history visitor, exploring Greek artifacts, watching DVD footage and using the internet. The children will learn to empathise with ancient Greek characters by writing first person reports. They will consider how we know about life in ancient Greece, particularly focusing on Greek archaeology. The children will find out about the Greek Gods and consider which ancient Greek characters would worship each God. They will discuss the similarities and differences between the ancient and modern Olympics. The children will also consider the influence that Greek architecture has had on our buildings today during our Greek walk.

**SCIENCE:** The children will learn that shadows are formed when a light from a source is blocked. They will recognise that shadows are the same shape as the objects that make them and will make predictions about the length and positions of shadows over the course of a day. They will learn that shadows change because of the apparent movements of the sun and will carry out investigations making careful measurements. They will investigate which materials allow light to pass through and use their knowledge to make shadow puppets.

**PSHE:** In PSHE the children will be discussing how they or others might feel in a given situation. We will discuss how to stay safe inside and outside of school and how to make responsible decisions.

**R.E.:** In R.E. the children will be exploring and investigating the concepts of charity and fairness within Christianity, Islam and Judaism. They will investigate the work of Christian Aid, Islamic Aid and the Fairtrade Foundation.

**ART:** Linking to our history topic, the children will examine a range of containers and will consider their purposes. They will explore the shapes, colours and patterns of Greek pots and will use this knowledge to make and decorate their own clay pot.

**Computing:** The children will explore Turtle in school 360 using both simple then advanced mode. They will learn to move turtle forwards and backwards using commands. The children will experiment with pen up and pen down tools.

**SPECIAL EVENT:** We will be having an Ancient Greek Day this half term. (Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July) The children are encouraged to come dressed up as an Ancient Greek citizen, a Greek God or Goddess or a character from a Greek myth..