

Year 4 Newsletter Summer 1 2022



History - The Ancient Greeks

This half term our focus is History and we will be linking many areas of our curriculum to it. We will look at how buildings have changed over time in Geography making comparisons of ancient temples with modern buildings to see the influence on modern architecture.

Numeracy

Our topics this term are:

- recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12×12
- use four written methods to add/subtract/multiply/divide
- describe positions on a 2-D grid as coordinates in the first quadrant
- describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down
- plot specified points and draw sides to complete a given polygon
- interpret and present discrete and continuous data using appropriate graphical methods, including bar charts and time graphs
- solve comparison, sum and difference problems using information presented in bar charts, pictograms, tables and other graphs

Science

This half term Year 4 will be studying the topic of Sound. Activities will include identifying how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating and recognising that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear. They will also find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it.



ICT

In ICT, pupils will understand how to create simple and more complex animations using 2Animate on Purple Mash. They will also learn about the different parts and functions of a computer.



2Animate

Design Technology & Art

DT for this half term will be about designing and making a desk tidy using strengthening and joining techniques. In Art, we will look at Ancient Greek pottery, what we can learn from it and create some of our own.



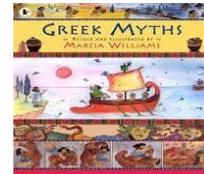
Literacy

During this half term we will be looking at:

Literacy focus:

- Grammar
- Spelling
- Descriptions
- Myths

Throughout our writing, we will use different Greek myths.



Reminder

In Year 4 we place an emphasis on guided reading in addition to reading individually. Each week the children undertake a guided reading session. Please remember to listen your child read throughout the week. Please use Spelling Zone (<https://www.spellzone.com/curriculum/national-curriculum/years-3-4.cfm>) to practise spellings.

PE

This half term, we will develop our skills of net games by learning how to play tennis.



Homework

Maths and English homework will relate to the work covered in class each week. As well as reading each day at home, please can you encourage your child to practise their times tables regularly throughout the week using the following websites:

www.trockstars.com www.timestables.co.uk