

# GROOVY GREEKS

## YEAR 4

### AUTUMN TERM 2

## 2021



# SPARKLING STARTER

## GREEK GOD/GODDESS QUIZ



**FABULOUS FINISH**  
**GROOVY GREEK POTS**

# English

## Class Text

The Greek myths will come alive through shared reading.

Hercules will be the inspiration for extended story writing.

## How can you help?

Talk to your child about what they can remember from the myths and legends.

Ask them questions such as:

What do you like or dislike about it?

What are the themes of the story?

Which character do you like best and why?

Encourage them to use examples from the story itself. e.g. *"I like Medusa because..."*

Please don't watch the film with your child as this will be shown as the weeks and story progresses.



## We will be writing:

- A diary entry as Hercules
- An encyclopaedia entry of the Greek gods
- An explanation of how to train a true hero
- A detailed description of an action scene

We will be performing poetry linked to the Ancient Greeks.

## Assessment

The children will sit a half termly test in reading and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. This will inform future planning and teaching.

# Maths

## Overview

- Four digit numbers: Addition, subtraction
- Four digit numbers: portioning, redistributing and models
- Four digit numbers: using units of length and weight
- 2, 3, 4, 8 times tables

## How can you help?

Please continue to encourage your child to learn their times tables and associated division facts. e.g  
 $7 \times 6 = 42$  ,  $6 \times 7 = 42$  ,  $42 \div 7 = 6$  and  $42 \div 6 = 7$

Why not visit these websites at home.

[www.myminimaths.co.uk](http://www.myminimaths.co.uk)

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>



## How do we plan?

We use NECTM Maths Scheme of Learning alongside other material.



## Assessment

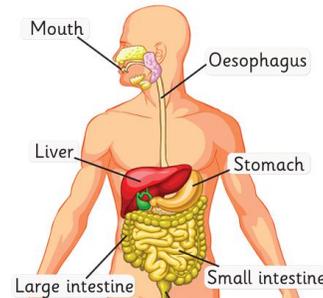
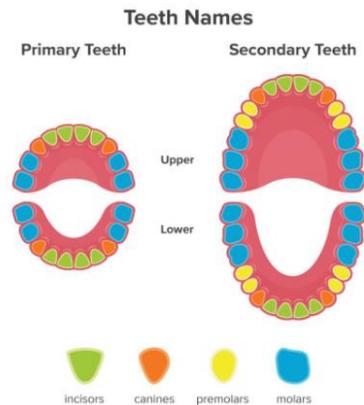
The children will sit a half termly test in arithmetic and reasoning. This will inform future planning and teaching.

# Science

In Science, we will be learning about the human body specifically concentrating on the human digestion system with a great practical experiment. We will also be looking at teeth and comparing human and animal dental structure.

# Computing

In Computing, we will be looking at creating an interactive guide on Seesaw. We will also be spending time taking a detailed look at internet safety through an interactive on line portal that keeps the learning fun and purposeful.



## How can you help?

- \*Research spread sheets
- \*Research information on light and identify different light sources at home
- \*Use a light source to create a puppet show



# History

In History, we will be using primary and secondary resources to learn about the life and times of Ancient Greeks.

We will look at timelines to place the period, research and compare different Greek gods and Goddesses and connect this with mythical creatures.



# Art

In Art, we will be researching Greek pots. We will use our sketch books to collect and record ideas and work towards a final piece using the technique of modelling using clay.

# RE

We will be looking at the Christmas story and the symbolism that is connected to it.





# PE

In PE, we will be developing our ball skills. We will be focusing on different throwing techniques and receiving the ball particularly in tag rugby.



# PSHE

In PSHE, we will be looking at relationships and feelings. We will be discussing through circle times, how we deal with confrontations and we can resolve conflicts between peers.

# Mindfulness



Every day we do daily mindfulness. This can be in the form of:

- \*Mindfulness colouring
- \*Yoga
- \*Listening to calming music
- \*Movement

# Music

We will be looking at the music of ABBA specifically focusing on the singing and performance of Mama Mia.



# General Information

## Diary Dates

01/11/21: INSET Day  
04/11/21: Outdoor learning day  
w/c 08/11/21: parents evening  
w/c 15.11.21: parents evening  
12/11/21: Children in Need  
30/11/21: St Andrew's Day  
10/12/21: Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner  
17/12/21: Last Day of Autumn Term

### PE Days

On Mondays with swimming  
Tuesday.

## Homework

Homework consists of: regularly reading, spelling and times table practise (times table rock stars and practise for a weekly test in school) a Maths activity or a reading activity.

Homework will be set on Seesaw on a Friday and will be expected to be completed by the following Thursday.

Please ask your child to seek help from a member of staff if they are having difficulty with their homework.