

English

This half term we will be writing a recount and diary entry.

For the recount we will focus on the setting, organising events in chronological order and look at the main features such as action verbs and past tense.

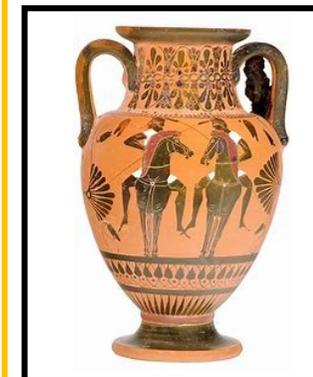
For a diary entry we will focus on an informal style, using chatty language and opinions as well as facts. Diaries include rhetorical questions, exclamations and first person pronouns.

Maths

This half term we will add and subtract to and from 4-digit numbers using place-value; use expanded written subtraction and compact written subtraction to subtract pairs of 3-digit numbers; use mental multiplication and division strategies and find non-unit fractions of 2-digit and 3-digit numbers. We will recognise and compare acute, right and obtuse angles; identify perpendicular and parallel lines; understand how to divide 2-digit and 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers using place value and mental strategies.

Science

This half term we will focus on the digestive system in humans and animals and the functions of teeth. They will find out what damages teeth and how to look after them. Children will learn more about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores in the context of teeth, digestion and the food chain. In addition, they will extend their understanding of food chains to more complex chains and food webs.



Topic

As part of our topic based around Ancient Greece we will look at the advantages of being rich. We will discuss the civilisation from this period in history and children will compare to other ancient civilisations. They will understand the meaning of the word empire and how Ancient Greece was able to establish one.

We will look at the different Greek myths and learn about what people in Ancient Greece might have believed and how the religion and/or Gods influence us today. We will analyse how artefacts help us work out what life was like in the past.

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 4 Autumn 2

What were the advantages of being rich in Ancient Greece?

Enrichment: Ancient Greek Day

P.E: Basketball & Dance

Homework: Weekly Spellings, English & Maths

RE

This half-term we are studying Buddhism. We will learn about the life of Buddha and understand the significance of Wesak.

PSHE

We will learn about health education and focus on mental well-being and self care techniques.

French

We will learn and use words relating to our body.

Computing

Exploring online safety and conducting research about Ancient Greece.

Music

Explore Ancient Greece with music inspired by Theus, Orpheus and Echo in this unit. The children perform a song cycle, a round, and compose their own ostinati.

Suggested books to read

Mouse Bird Snake Wolf by David Almond

So you think you've got it bad? A kid's life in Ancient Greece by Chae Strathie and Marisa Morea.

Who Let The Gods Out? by Maz Evans

Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

The Girl of Ink and Stars by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

Greek Gods and Heroes by Sylvie Baussier

Suggested places to visit

The British Museum
The Fitzwilliam Museum

Suggested websites to visit

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Greece.html>
<https://www.mysteriesintime.co.uk/ancient-greece-for-kids>