

# Autumn Term 2019 Year 5 Meerkats and Zebras





## It's All Greek to Me!

## **English**

In English this term the children will be reading Marcia Williams' "Greek Myths" and "Mythology" by Dugald Steer.

They will learn about heroes and villains of Greek myths and create their own versions in prose and cartoon strip form.

We will be learning about suffixes and paragraphs in grammar, as well as consolidating grammar and spelling taught in Year 4.

We will use our history and geography work as an inspiration for diaries, explanation texts and persuasive letters and debates. Later in the term, we will be learning to convert Greek myths into play scripts and will have the opportunity to perform these to our peers.



## Mathematics

In Maths, children will practice and develop their knowledge of the four operations, building on their learning of these from previous years. We will deepen understanding learning of place value including decimals through practical investigations and reasoning tasks. We will also cover geometry and apply our understanding of shape, space and measure in real life contexts.

## History/Geography

#### Ancient Greece/ Modern Greece

This term, Year 5 are studying the legacy of Ancient Greece. We will find out about the daily life of Greeks in ancient times, as well as studying the geography and culture of modern Greece. Children will complete map work and investigations into the islands and seas of Greece, and will learn some simple Greek phrases that they can use in our taverna on our Greek week later in the term.

#### Music

During music lessons the children will be learning to play the recorder and will take part in whole class singing ensembles.

### French

Children will be learning to ask and answer simple questions in French. We will explore vocabulary related to time.

#### Science

Science this term will include investigations of the Earth, Sun and Moon and their shape and relative size. Children will find out about seasons and moon phases. They will learn about working scientifically and how to record their investigations. We will look at properties of materials in the second half term.

#### Art/DT

In Art and DT we will follow the theme of Ancient Greeks and will create Greek pots in 2D and 3D materials. They will also explore Greek theatre and create a theatre mask. Through this they will develop their experience of mixed media and learn about colour, line and form.

## PE

Children will have the opportunity in PE to develop their teamwork skills through a variety of team games, focussing in particular on hockey.

#### **RE/PHSE**

In RE and PHSE we will be looking at new beginnings and relationships with others. As part of a whole school study, we will be taking a 'deep dive' into Christianity. simple sentences.