



# Curriculum Newsletter

## Summer Term

### Ancient Greece and Dragons



#### This Term

#### Our topics for this term are Dragons and Ancient Greece

**English:** This term we will use the text Greek Myths and Tell Me a Dragon as stimulus for our writing, including a Greek myth and a dragon narrative.

SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) Focus-

- Apostrophes for contraction
- Independent proof reading without teacher support
- Revision of previously taught grammar objectives

In reading, we will be continuing Fantastic Mr Fox, Oliver Twist, Non-fiction text. Throughout this half term we will study the skills of reading, including retrieval and inference.

#### Maths

In Maths, we will be learning how to find fractions of amounts using the bar model approach to answer contextual problems. We will be applying our knowledge of decimals and fractions to work on problems related to money. We will continue our work on measure by learning to read, write and convert time between analogue and digital 12- and 24-hour clocks to the nearest minute. Geometry work will include properties of 2D and 3D shape as well as position and direction. We will also cover statistics.

Our Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is fast approaching. We continue to support the children with this with regular opportunities to practise timestables to 12 x 12 through use of recall activities, games and Times Table Rockstars. We will also be accessing the Official Government practise tests to ensure children feel familiar with the process and format. Please support children at home with Times Table Rockstars, if you need any support or passwords, let your child's teacher know. You can find out more information about the statutory test here:

**Government Information for MTC**

## Foundation Subjects

**Science:** We will learn what sounds are and how sounds are made, and the children will take part in a Science of Sound workshop.

**Art:** Our focus for the first half term will be the presentation of sculptures and how this influences the audience. This will be supported by our visit to The Yorkshire Sculpture Park.

**D.T.:** Practise sewing techniques with the purpose of making a purse.

**RSHE:** Topics to be covered this term are: Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco and the effects these have on our health; Health and Prevention and S.R.E and changing the adolescent body. The children will have a labelling activity that will require them to label parts of the body including the genital areas, and they will be shown a simple cartoon diagram consisting of naked bodies for both sexes – they will be using the correct vocabulary for the body parts.

If you would like further information on our RSHE and S.R.E Curriculum, you can find our policy [here](#).

**RE:** How do the five pillars guide Muslims? Why are Gurus at the heart of Sikh belief and Practice?

**Computing:** Programming creating our own codes.

**Music:** Using the music scheme 'Charanga' to support, we will focus on the music of 'Grime', learning a rap song about antibullying. Children will be given the opportunity to appraise the songs, join in with singing, moving to the beat and exploring instruments to play alongside.

**French:** Children will learn the French names of the face and body parts. They will create their own Yoga sequences.

**History:** Ancient Greece then History of Textiles and the Industrial Revolution. We will be taking part in a Greek Workshop on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

**P.E:** Beyond The Physical- 'Duel, Win, Lose' and 'Position, Possession, Patience'.  
Athletics- Greek Mini Olympics (Charity fundraising).

## KIRFS-Maths

Each half term, children will focus on 2 Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) to practise and learn at home for the half term. They will also be available on our school website under the maths section and will be sent to parents and carers alongside the curriculum newsletter each term. The KIRFs include practical ideas to assist your child in grasping the key facts and contain helpful suggestions of ways in which you could make this learning interesting and relevant. They are not designed to be a time-consuming task and can be

practised anywhere – in the car, walking to school, etc. Regular practice - little and often – helps children to retain these facts and keep their skills sharp. Throughout the half term, the KIRFs will also be practised in school and your child's teacher will assess whether they have been retained.

## KIRFS for all year groups

[Click here for more information on our Maths Curriculum and KIRFS](#)

### **KIRFS (Key Instant Recall Facts) for this term are:**

- Multiply and divide a single digit by 10 and 100.
- Know the number of days in each month.

#### **Also revisiting:**

- Know number bonds (complements) of 100.
- Mentally calculate near doubles.
- Know multiplication and division facts for the 7 x table
- Know multiplication and division facts for the 12 x table
- Mentally add and subtract 9/19/29 etc. to two digit numbers through compensating.
- Add and subtract 11/21/31 etc. to two digit numbers through compensating.
- Counting in multiples of 1000 and 25.

### Reminders

Reading books and records need to be in school daily – books will be changed twice weekly. Please comment when you read with your child, so we know to swap the book.

Spellings issued on Mondays and tested the following Monday, with activities set on Spelling Shed.

Times tables are to be rehearsed on Times Table Rockstars [www.trockstars.com](http://www.trockstars.com)

#### **PE days:**

4G- Wednesday/Friday

4H- Thursday/Friday

4W- Tuesday/Friday

Kit reminder: Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school every day (Trainers are needed for outdoor PE). PE kits will be sent home at the end of each half term to be

washed. Tape for earrings and hair bobbles are required as part of our health and safety policy.

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### Important Dates

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Science of Sound workshop

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April- YSP visit

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May-Greek Workshop

June 3<sup>rd</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> Multiplication Tables Checks take place in school

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June National Schools Sports Week event

June 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Cliffe House Trip 1 4G & 4W

June 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Cliffe House Trip 2 4H& 4W

