

# Year 5 Term 3 Newsletter

Our topic this term is called **Ancient Greece**. We will be finding out about Ancient Greek life, Gods, and the origins of the modern day Olympics.

We will explore the differences and similarities between life in Athens and Sparta. We will also develop our art techniques through sketching and creating art sculptures such as Greek pottery.

**English** - We will begin our English topic by writing image based poems using images of Medusa, the Greek mythical character. Following this we will explore the Shakespeare play, Macbeth, transforming the script into a narrative through drama and role play. We will also write a discussion piece debating Macbeth's decision to Kill King Duncan.

**Numeracy** - This term we will continue to work through aspects of number - addition and subtraction and decimals. We will look at measurement (mass and time) then continue on to multiplication and division. The children have been working successfully on maths mastery activities. This

has allowed them to explain and understand maths reasoning.

**Science** - Our science topic this term is 'Materials and their Properties.' The children will investigate and compare the properties of different materials. We will give reasons based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for specific uses of everyday materials such as metal, wood, and plastic.

**Home Learning** - One piece of English and maths home learning will be given out on Friday and should be handed in by the following Wednesday. Children should also complete a home learning project from the list provided. In addition to the

home learning set, your children will be given a levelled reading book.

It would really benefit your child to be reading on a daily basis as well as practising their times tables.

**Spelling** - Children will be given a spelling list every Friday and will be tested on them the following Tuesday. We will continue to explore our year 3.4.5 and 6 high frequency words.

**PE** - Children are expected to wear the correct PE uniform: white t-shirt, shorts /tracksuit bottoms (dependent on the weather) and trainers. **Please ensure your child has their name written in all their clothing.**

Monday - Gymnastics (indoor)

Friday - Netball (outdoor)

## Important Dates

**Tuesday 29th  
January 2019**

Parents coffee morning—class drop in to look at books

