



Welcome to Year 3 & Year 4's Newsletter

Summer 2 2018

Exciting English: Gods and Mortals.

Year 3

Year 3 children will be learning about the wonderful work of Greek Gods and Goddesses and how Greeks gave gifts to the horrid Minotaur.

Children will have to write a letter to a king to spare their lives!

Year 4

Year 4 will be using the Ancient Greek topic to support their English lessons. We will be writing a newspaper report about how the Marathon started. We will be writing instructions for making a decoy vessel. Also we will be writing a persuasive letter to King Minos.

Marvellous Maths

Year 3

Year 3 children will be investigating measurement through liquids and shapes. The children will be learning how to change direction and movement through a maze, using angles. Can they escape the Minotaur?

Year 4

This term we will be analysing data and drawing various graphs.

We will be investigating 2D shapes, looking at quadrilaterals, angles and symmetry. We will also be investigating the position and movement of shapes on a grid.

Times Tables

Please can you encourage your children to recall their times tables quickly? It is very important that they know them at speed.

There are lots of games online to help them too, a good one is, 'Hit the Button!'

Music

Keep an eye out for changes to the way music is taught in school. Ukulele to drums and steel pans to singing will all be taught to children in years 3 & 4. Some children will even be invited to perform in a steel pan concert after school.
LOOK OUT FOR WIND IN THE WILLOWS.

Topic Homework.

We will be sending home a sheet with a variety of different activities for the children to do.

Please have a look and support your children to complete some of the activities.

Topic: Gods and Mortals.

This term we have an exciting topic all about the Ancient Greeks!

We will be learning all about everyday life, Gods and myths, the timeline, also the location and climate of Ancient Greece.

We will be using a range of modelling materials to create our own Greek artefacts.

Please can we have lots of large milk cartons for one of our projects.

Science: Growing Plants

We will be investigating how plants grow in different conditions. We will keep a record of our findings and analyse them.

RE: What do we know about Jesus?

In RE we will be having an insight into the life of Jesus. Children will be exploring and extending the information they already know about Jesus and investigating different people's opinions about him.

MFL: Where in the World?

This term we will be focusing on countries and their capital cities. Children will use basic grammatical rules to build sentences in French. They will also broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words.

ICT: Gods and Mortals.

This term the children will be researching and presenting different types of information in different formats to support our topic about Ancient Greeks. TOP TRUMPS!

PSHE: Changing Me

Our topic in PSHE is all about how we change as we grow older. We will be discussing the different stages we encounter throughout our lives.

WOW Day!

Professor McGinty's Time Travel to Ancient Greece.

Year 3 and 4 had a fantastic day to inspire the children about the Ancient Greeks and we hope they have told you all about it.



Other important news.

Our PE topic this half term is athletics. Please remember children should wear a **white t-shirt** and **black bottoms** for PE. They should also have **pumps or trainers**. Kits should be brought into school on a **Monday** and taken home on **Friday**.

Weekly Homework

Please remember homework should be handed in every **Monday**, to be given back **Wednesday**, along with homework diaries that should be signed by parents. They are a communication tool for us all. Reading books should be changed weekly and reading records signed also.

Inspire Day - Predators!

We would like to thank all of the parents who supported our **Inspire Day** last term, the children had a fantastic time and built some amazing predators with their parents. It would be great if more parents from **all classes** could attend in the future.



A reminder: Children should wear school uniform always with black shoes. Children should not wear any jewellery, except a watch and stud earrings.

School Reports will be coming out later this term and there will be a drop in for parents to discuss their children.

Dudley Zoo

The children had a great day on the trip to Dudley Zoo and they learnt lots more about the predators and all the other animals. As usual they were very well behaved. Well done children. You made us very proud.

Inspire Day

We will have another afternoon towards the end of the term to make some artefacts. Please come and support your children and have some fun. WE will send a date out soon so get ready to put it in your diaries.