



Year 5 and 6 Newsletter

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter.

We hope you have all had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas holiday.

Our topic this term is Ancient Greeks. During this enquiry-based topic, the children will explore this ancient civilization, become historians and research the daily lives and activities of the Greeks: including looking at the legacy they have left behind. As well as this, children will delve deeper into this fascinating time period with our Ancient Greek day where they will partake in our very own Olympic events, relive the birth of democracy and sample Greek cuisine. Further to this, children will use the wealth of ancient myths to inspire their own which they will retell in computing lessons. In art, children will be creating their own Greek inspired clay pots. As part of this topic, children will also have the opportunity to visit the British Museum in London (see below for the date.)



In English, we will begin the term by reading the book 'Holes' by Louis Sachar, comparing it to the book we studied last term by the same author.

Our Science topic is 'Animals Including Humans'. Children will look at animals: what they need to survive and stay healthy, the respiratory and circulatory systems and how they grow and age. They will also conduct and write up their findings of an investigation exploring the impact of exercise on the body.

We are looking forward to a busy and successful term and look forward to seeing you all again at Parents Evening.

Helping your child at home

As you are aware, children now have log ins for 'Times Table Rock Stars.' Please encourage children to log in and have a go!

Also, please continue to hear your children read at home and discuss what they have read. Asking them questions about what certain words mean, getting them to skim the text for information and summarising points is an excellent way to extend them. Reading for speed is also something we are working on in school so practising reading fluently at home would be beneficial.

Special events for Years 5 and 6

Year 6 Mock SATs week: wc 22nd January
Parents Evening: 7th and 8th February
British Museum: 19th March
Parents Open Afternoon: 22nd March
Year 5 Parents Residential Meeting: 20th March 6pm