

Theme

The children will learn about the way people lived in the ancient Greek empire.

History

- Place the ancient Greek civilisation on a time line.
- Describe important features of life in ancient Greece, and compare life in different city states.
- Explain some of the beliefs of the ancient Greeks.
- Compare aspects of ancient Greece with today.

English:

- Read Greek myths and plays, e.g. Jason and the Argonauts; Theseus and the Minotaur; Pandora's box; Persephone in the Underworld. Create own myth.
- Write a persuasive text about the merits of either tyranny or democracy.
- Learn the meaning of prefixes that have ancient Greek origin, and apply them to spell words.

Outdoor learning, including physical education:

- Re-enact the Olympic games, e.g. swearing in ceremony, heralds, trumpets; sports including running, wrestling, boxing, discus, javelin, jumping; prayers and sacrifices; speeches; chariot races; parade of victors; feasting.

Computing:

- Program a game using Scratch, e.g. a maze game linked to Theseus and the Minotaur.

Maths:

- Design and create tessellating patterns.
- Geometry.
- Explore patterns in shapes, e.g. Euclidean solids.

Geography:

- Locate Greece on a map. Discuss the climate and physical features of the Greek mainland and islands.

Year 5, Term 3: 'Groovy Greeks!'

Our value this term is
Growth Mindset and Independence



Maths – not related to theme of ancient Greeks

- Round, add and subtract decimals.
- Calculate the area of rectangles and volume of cuboids.
- Add, subtract and compare fractions.

Art:

- Create a Greek vase using clay.
- Design and create a Greek mask, or a mask inspired by masks from ancient Greece.
- Design and create a cartoon to illustrate a Greek myth.

Design technology:

- Learn about Archimedes' use of pulleys, levers and cams (e.g. at the defence of Syracuse). Make own machine using these to create movement.

PE

- Indoor P.E. (gymnastics)
- Outdoor P.E. (rugby)

- Indoor –Elder Wednesday (pm), Linden Tuesday (pm), Willow Thursday (am)
- Outdoor –Elder Thursday (pm), Linden Friday (pm), Willow Wednesday (pm)

Wow moments

- BBC School Radio "Tales from Ancient Greeks"
- Ancient Greek day (date to be confirmed)
- Re-enactment of the Olympic games
- Use iPads to visit ancient Greece using virtual reality

Home Learning

- Maths homework weekly and either Theme or Literacy homework as well.
- Maths homework will be set on Mathletics or on paper

Save the Date!

- Safer Internet date