



## Subject Overviews

### Dear Parent/Carer

Since the start of the Autumn Term, it's been hard to believe how quickly the time has passed! The children have worked incredibly hard, showing dedication and enthusiasm, and have accomplished so much in such a short period. We couldn't be prouder of their efforts and progress.

As we approach the festive season, we want to wish all our children, staff, and families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the well-deserved break, recharge, and get ready for an exciting spring term ahead. With the energy and determination we've seen this term, we're confident the spring will be full of even more achievements!

### English

This term, we will be reading and performing some of Aesop's fables, as well as writing our own fables and play scripts. We will also produce our own information page about the Ancient Greeks. In addition, we will continue to strengthen our understanding of grammar and sentence structure, with weekly spelling tests to support our learning. Our weekly Guided Reading sessions will focus on developing the skills needed to answer comprehension questions, make inferences, and analyse the text in greater depth. We will also work on improving fluency and expression, while deepening our enjoyment of reading.

### Maths

This term, we will continue to build on written methods for the key operations and apply these strategies to solve word problems. A key focus will be helping the children deepen their understanding of the relationships between numbers and number facts. Through hands-on sessions, we will explore time, shape, and measurement. In addition, we will be focusing on multiplication and division, strengthening the children's confidence in these areas. Our "Back to Basics" sessions will support rapid mental recall of number bonds and times tables through engaging games and practical activities.

### Science

We will be learning about forces and magnets. We will find out about forces between objects and whether magnetic forces can act at a distance. We will investigate, identify and group materials that are magnetic and learn about magnetic poles. We will find out whether magnets attract or repel each other.

### Computing

In Computing we will develop our skills to create simple animations to make objects perform actions in a sequence. We will begin to write our own code and program a simple sequencing game.

## History



In History we will be finding out about the Greek city states of Athens and Sparta and exploring their political systems and lifestyles, as well as learning about the Persian Wars and the impact they had on Greece. We will investigate the origins of the Olympic Games. We will research Alexander the Great and learn about the people and culture of Ancient Greece through archaeological evidence.

## Geography

In Geography, we will use maps and atlases to locate Ancient and Modern Greece. We will be identifying the main features of the landscape in Greece and learn about its climate.

## Art

We will explore a range of Greek art and use it to inspire us to design, make and evaluate our own Greek pot.



## Design Technology

In DT we will design and make packaging using computer aided design.

## Games/PE

In Games & PE this term, we'll be sharpening our skills for a variety of exciting net and wall games, as well as getting active with fast-paced invasion games like handball and basketball! We'll be learning key techniques, improving our teamwork, and having lots of fun along the way. Don't forget – PE kit is needed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, so come ready to play and give it your all!

## Music

In Music we will continue to use Charanga to listen and appraise a range of songs. We will reinforce our understanding of pulse, rhythm and pitch.

## RE/PSHE

In RE we will continue to learn about the religion of Christianity and find out how Christians are influenced and inspired by Jesus. We will also learn about the rules, codes and traditions that Christians believe they should live by.

In PSHE we will be discussing how to get on with others and resolve differences of opinion. We will investigate self-esteem and things that we are good at. We shall continue to promote our values.

## French

French will be taught by Miss Wiseman through a variety of games, books and songs. We will learn how to count to 40. We will also be taught how to name different parts of the body, including the face and write descriptions of monsters. We will reinforce the words for colours.

