

Rumboldswhyke Church of England Primary School Part of the Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership 'Love life, love learning, love God's world'

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<u>Year 3/4 Curriculum Letter – Summer Term 2 – Miss Clark</u>

Welcome to our final half term of the year...!

Our last learning experience for this year is a very exciting one which I am sure the children are going to love! It is called, *Who Let The Gods Out*? This will be a deep dive into the topic of Ancient Greece through the lenses of geography, history, art and of course our text for English!

Our big philosophical question this term is: What can we learn from others?

Our core values we will explore through our learning experience are: Trust, love, belonging, equality

Literacy – Reading, Writing and Comprehension

Our writing for this half term will centre around the enthralling tale of young Leo, the aspiring hero, and his struggles against the mythical monsters of Ancient Greece. We will use the first part of the story as a basis to write an explanation text predicting what the main character might do next in the story using evidence from the text. This will also allow us to practise important comprehension skills through quoting parts of the text to back up our arguments. Linking with our history learning, we will then be writing a recount of a day in the life of a child in Ancient Greece. Our grammar focus for this will be using the 1st person, prepositions and complex sentence structures using a range of conjunctions.

Quality texts which will be used to enhance learning: Our quality text for our next learning

Our quality text for our next learning experience:



Geography

We will begin our topic by understanding where Greece is in the world. We will explore the physical features of Greece, its coastal location, its terrain, Athens, Mount Olympus and the reasons why it is so popular with tourists today.

History

History will be our main curriculum driver for this learning experience as we enjoy a fully immersive experience exploring: The differences between Athens and Sparta, Alexander the Great, the Ancient Greek Gods, the Olympic Games, the story of the Trojan Horse, life for children in Ancient Greece and the legacy of Ancient Greece for life today.

Art

We have a very exciting art experience planned at Bishop Luffa this half term! We will be taking part in an art workshop led by Art staff at Bishop Luffa especially for Red Class in which we will learn techniques to help us make our very own Ancient Greek clay pots!

Modern Foreign Languages

We will continue our dynamic French learning through stories and videos this half term.

PSHE

For our PSHE lessons this half term, we will be accessing the wellbeing resources made by the CUES NHS team as part of the research project we have been taking part in.

Maths – Fractions & Decimals, [Money & Time]

Year 3: - to count up and down in tenths; to recognise that tenths arise from dividing an object into 10 equal parts and in dividing one-digit numbers or quantities by 10 - to recognise, find and write fractions of a	Year 4: - to recognise and show, using diagrams, families of common equivalent fractions - to count up and down in hundredths; to recognise that hundredths arise when dividing an object by one hundred and dividing tenths by ten
discrete set of objects: unit fractions and non-unit fractions with small denominators	- to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator
- to recognise and use fractions as numbers - to recognise and show, using diagrams,	- to recognise and write decimal equivalents of any number of tenths or hundredths
equivalent fractions with small denominators - to add and subtract fractions with the same	- to round decimals with one decimal place to the nearest whole number
denominator within one whole	- to compare numbers with the same number of decimal
- to compare and order unit fractions, and fractions with the same denominators	places up to two decimal places - to solve simple measure and money problems involving

Key topic vocabulary

- empire slave nobleman soldier
- Olympics Alexander the Great Athens Sparta
- Acropolis ancient civilisation Mount Olympus Zeus
- Parthenon temple democracy myths pottery

fractions and decimals to two decimal places

fraction unit fraction numerator denominator

decimal tenths hundredths

Housekeeping

ΡΕ

Monday 12th June is our last swimming session of the year. Mondays from now on will be a PE lesson in school so going forward, we will have PE in school on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please ensure your child has the correct named PE kit in school every week. As we get nearer to sports day, there could be extra practice sessions too so your child should have their PE kit in school all week please.

Summer Assessments

As you will be aware from the newsletters sent out before half term, Red Class have the below end of year assessments coming up. These are nothing for the children to worry about and I am sure you will join us in ensuring we do not place any pressure on the children for these tests; we simply want to see what they can do at the end of the year, so we know what their next steps are.

> Multiplication Check (Year 4s only) Thursday 15th June NFER Maths Arithmetic Test (All children) Monday 19th June NFER Reading Test (All children) Tuesday 20th June Maths Problem Solving & Reasoning Test 1 (All children) Wednesday 21st June Maths Problem Solving & Reasoning Test 2 (All children) Friday 23rd June

Ideas for supporting your child's learning:

- Read with your child and hear your child read out loud every day make it a part of your daily routine; be it at breakfast time, bedtime or somewhere in between. It makes a HUGE difference to their confidence and enjoyment and will also start to help improve their writing skills.
- Any writing practice that your child can do at home will help improve their writing confidence, fluency and sentence structure, be it a shopping list, thank you letter, postcard, diary or story!
- Practice of multiplication and division calculations.

With very best wishes, Miss Clark