

Lower Key Stage Two Curriculum: Spring

During the spring term, Lower Key Stage Two will be learning about Greece. We will develop our understanding of Greek culture, of similarities and differences between other cultures that we know about, and of changes that have occurred over time.

We also have some very special performances planned for the end of Term 4...



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Groovy Greece!

English

This term we will be... reading and analysing 'Leon And The Place Between' by Angela McAllister. Children will be developing their story writing skills and write an adventure story inspired by the book. As we move through our learning about Ancient Greece, we will use it as the basis for our non-fiction learning – texts that describe or explain for information.

We are learning to... use inverted commas to indicate direct speech, use paragraphs to organise our writing and develop the use of noun phrases. We will also be focussing on reading our work aloud and performing.

You can help your child by: talking to them about our book, our topics, and visiting library to read similar books.

Maths

This term we will be focusing on...

- Multiplication and division
- Measurement (length, perimeter and area)
- Fractions
- Decimal numbers (Year 4)
- Key facts (Big Maths)

You can help your child by... discussing what your child has been learning in school and ask them to explain how they have been calculating. Talk through any maths home learning and ensure that complements (e.g. $37 + ? = 1000$) and times tables are practised regularly: little and often is best!

Cycle 2: Global, LKS2

Science: Sound

We will be exploring how sound is made and how it travels. By making and changing sounds with a range of devices, children will develop their understanding of pitch and tone.

Design and Technology:

We will be planning, making and evaluating artefacts and demonstration pieces for a special display in Term 4.

Computing:

We will continue to learn how to stay safe online, and how to capture and edit media.

PE: We will be devising our own dance sequences in Term 3, and exploring orienteering in Term 4.

History: Ancient Greece

We will be moving from Romans to Ancient Greece. We will be looking at Greek theatre as well as drawing comparisons between ancient and modern Greece. The children will be researching information about Greek Gods/Goddesses and enhancing their historical knowledge of Alexander the Great. Year 3/4 will also be studying ancient and modern geographical maps.



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Art and Design: In art and design, the children will be exploring repeating patterns and creating their own designs using printing.

Jigsaw: Our mindful, PSHCE topics for this term are 'Dreams & Goals' and 'Healthy Me'.

Geography: Location of European countries.

We will be exploring Ancient and modern Greece and developing our knowledge of European countries.

Spanish: In Spanish, we will find out how to talk about food and drink.

Music: The focus for music this term will be the glockenspiel and children will be listening and responding to Benjamin Britten – Cuckoo.

RE: In Religious Education, we will explore the questions:

- What can we learn from religions about deciding what is right and wrong?
- Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?