

Monday, 11 April 2016

## Year 5 Newsletter Terms 5 & 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Easter. We are looking forward to our new topic, **Groovy Greeks**, and even have plans to work on Pythagoras' theorem!

Here are some of the subject areas we will be covering over the next term:

**English:** Greek Myths, Oranges in No Man's Land – planning, editing and writing a story from a different character's point of view

**Maths:** Fractions and decimals; co-ordinates; factors & multiples; area, volume & perimeter

**Science:** Life cycles, Living Things and Habitats

**DT:** Designing and making Greek clay pots

**History:** Life in Ancient Greece and the Ancient Olympics

**Geography:** Greece - the people and climate

**PE:** Swimming and Cricket/Rounders

**RE:** Why do believers often see life as a journey?



## **Greek Feast – Friday 15th April**

On Friday **this week** Year 5 will be having a 'Greek Feast'. Please could your child bring to school a piece of material that is large enough to wrap around - this will be used to make a chiton (toga). An old single sheet would be ideal. The children will also be sampling some Greek food: olives, feta etc.



Our homework topic is:

## Groovy Greeks

Please help your child to create a project on any aspect of this topic; **projects should be brought in on Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup>** when we will invite other classes to come and see them.

### HOMEWORK

- Please read with your child **regularly** and sign their Home/School Diary. Children who do not have any signed entries will need to read in Homework club on Thursday lunchtimes.
- Please find attached a topic based homework grid; children can select an activity to complete each week. This will be due in every Monday.
- Maths and Spellings homework will continue to be set on a Wednesday; this should be handed in on the following Monday. Maths homework may sometimes be paper based, but online tasks from the Mathletics website will also be used. If there are any difficulties accessing Mathletics at home, we will make sure children are given opportunities to use the website at school.

Please have a look at the websites below as they offer a fantastic range of activities for you to try with your child:

[www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk](http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk)

<http://greece.mrdonn.org/>

[www.ducksters.com/history/ancient\\_greece.php](http://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_greece.php)

If you have any questions or concerns, please do come and see one of us before or after school.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Matt Allison & Clare Meakin*

**Class Teachers**