



# Year 3– Spring 1 2023

## The Ancient Greeks



Welcome back year three! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and are ready to begin a new year of learning!

This half term, our big question is 'Is Greece a democratic place to live?'

Our half term of learning will be driven by the knowledge we will be acquiring in history. The children will learn about primary and secondary sources of evidence about life in Ancient Greece and how their legacies influence modern lifestyles. In English, the children will be introduced to myths through Theseus and the Minotaur. They will then innovate their own beast before writing their own Greek myth.

### In English

In English, we will be:

- Developing our understanding and use of varied vocabulary.
- Using full stops and capital letters accurately in writing.
- Extending sentences using conjunctions.
- Using expanded noun phrases to build description.
- Using prepositional phrases.
- Using paragraphs

### In History

In History we will:

- Continue to sequence events on a timeline;
- Discover the location of Greece and Ancient Greece;
- Learn about Greek life;
- Discover about Greek Gods and Goddesses;
- Learn about changes in Greek architectural and military achievements which impact on our lives today.

### Vocabulary

The development of vocabulary is important to us at Sacred Heart. Through this enquiry project we will develop the following vocabulary:

tyrant, exchanged, despise, justify, shimmer, preferred

Gods, Goddesses, military, democracy, armies, city states, temples, worship, architecture

### Gospel Values

The Gospel values we will weave into our learning this half term are:

Humility and Fair Trade

**Religious Education-**

Local Church- Community

We will be thinking about why listening and sharing is so important. We will be learning about the Christian family's journey with Jesus throughout the Church's year. We will also explore that Mass is the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

*Everyone is Sacred*


**In addition to our focus subjects, we will also be learning the following...**

In Maths	⇒ Formal methods of multiplication and division ⇒ Multiplication facts ⇒ Money
In Science	⇒ Animals including humans
In PE	⇒ Dance
In Art	⇒ Painting with scissors- collage.
In Computing	⇒ Touch typing and emails
In Latin	⇒ Verbs and Adverbs
In Music	⇒ Reggae music- Three Little Birds by Bob Marley; singing and Glockenspiels!
Reading Books	⇒ Children should be reading their reading books every day at home to an adult. Children can take quizzes in school.

*Be Ready*

*Be Safe*

*Be Respectful*




**Reminders**

**P.E – Tuesday**

Children need to bring a drink to school every day.

Please bring your AR reading book to school everyday.

Please ensure all clothing is labelled.





**Homework**

Weekly Spelling Tests- Tests will now be on a Monday.

Reading- 15 minutes daily reading record to be signed by a Parent/ Carer. **Remember you must try to achieve your reading target every half term to receive your reading badge at the end of the year.**

TT Rockstars- 10 minutes daily

IXL- 10 minutes daily practice on skills we have learnt in school

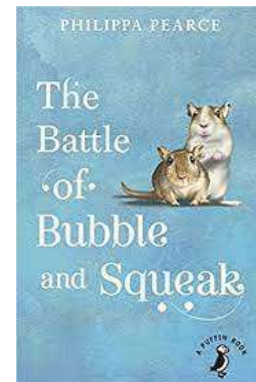



**Google Classrooms**

We will be continuing to use Google Classroom for home learning and weekly messages.

Spellings will be sent home and set via Google Classrooms weekly on a Monday.

**All children should have all the access logins they need in the front of their reading records. If you do not have them, please let us know.**



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