

Galaxy Class Newsletter

Autumn 1

Welcome back Galaxy Class!

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope you all had a great summer break.

Our topic this term is Groovy Greeks.

Reminders

Please make sure your child has the following in school every day:

- Reading book
- Water bottle
- Wellies and rain coat
- Change of clothes

Class Dojo

Please check Class Dojo regularly, this is how we contact parents and send messages regarding events.

Homework

This term, we will start to send out homework, please keep an eye on Class Dojo for more information coming soon.

Continuous Provision

As the children are now in the Upper Key Stage 2 class, continuous provision will still be present in the classroom, but on a reduced scale.

PE

PE days are on Wednesday and Thursday. Some children may have PE on a different day and you will be told this on Class Dojo. Please ensure your child comes in their PE kit on those days

Curriculum

English

This term, we will be learning about Greek Myths in English. We will then plan and write our own. We will then write non-fiction texts based on what we have learnt in history and geography.

Maths

We will be learning:
How to exchange 10s and 100s
Representing numbers
Comparing and rounding numbers
Adding and subtracting three-digit numbers
Drawing 2D shapes
Measuring in cm and mm
2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables
Doubles and halves

History

In History, we will be learning about Ancient Greece. This includes Greek Governments, life in Ancient Greece, Religion in Ancient Greece and how modern day life has been influenced by Ancient Greeks.

Geography

We will be learning about Greece. We will identify Greece and the UK on a map and identify significant cities in Greece. We then progress onto physical and human features and how these have changed over time. We will discuss why Greece is a popular holiday destination and compare Greece to the UK.

Science

In science, we will be comparing and changing materials. We will look at evaporation, condensation, heating and cooling. We will also explore the water cycle. After half term, we will look at electricity. We will explore circuits, switches, conductors and insulators.

Art/DT

In art, we will be looking at painting and mixed media - light and dark. We will focus on colour mixing and using tints and shades to create a 3D effect.

In DT, we will be looking at electrical systems. We will be designing a poster, which incorporates an electrical system.

Computing

Spreadsheets - we will create pie charts, bar graphs, and learning how to use a range of functions.

Touch-typing - we will be learning how to type using two hands.

Simulations - we will be learning what simulations are, exploring a simulation and evaluating them.

RE

What Hindus learn from Diwali - we will be learning about good versus evil, the story of Rama and Sita and the festival of Diwali.

How and why might Christians use the Bible - we will be learning about authority figures, the Bible and how Christians might use the Bible.

PSHE

This term we will be learning about peer pressure, medicines and first aid. After half term, we will be learning about brushing teeth, stealing and anger.

Contact Us

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to us at the end of the school day or send a message on Class Dojo.

Miss Lemon

Reading Lessons

This term, we will start whole class reading lessons. The children will have text read to them/read it themselves and answer comprehension questions about the text. This will include stories, poems, non-fiction etc. to expose the children to a range of genres.

Music

Environment - we will explore songs and poems about places. The children will create accompaniments and sound pictures to reflect sounds in their local environment.

Ancient worlds - we will explore Ancient Greek inspired music. The children will perform a song cycle and a round, and compose their own ostinati.

Poetry - we will explore three contrasting poems. The children will use voices, body percussion, instruments and movements to create their own expressive performances.

In the past - we will be learning about pitch. The children will use hand signals and compose three note melodies.