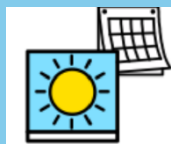




CHURCH CROOKHAM

Year 5 Spring Term Newsletter – Second Half

Upcoming Events



Friday 20th March – Fantastic Friday

Help from parents & carers requested for Year 5 sandals project, as follows:

Monday 23rd March 5AC 10.35am-11.15am

Monday 23rd March 5CB 1.45pm-3.15pm

Wednesday 25th March 5CD 10.35am-11.55am

Wednesday 25th March 5KA 1.45pm-3.15pm

WB 23rd March – History Theatre Exchange Company (details to follow)

Thursday 26th March – Y5 Parents invited to 'Celebration of Learning' @ 2.15pm

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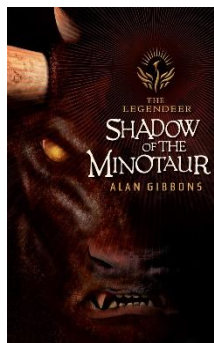


The children will continue to learn using 'My Happy Mind'. We are learning how to build good relationships with others and how active listening helps strengthen those relationships.

English



Our topic this half term is *Ancient Greece: It's all Greek to me!*



The children will be immersing themselves in the world of Ancient Greece, beginning with a spin-off of the myth 'Theseus and the Minotaur,' titled 'Shadow of the Minotaur'. Throughout this unit, they will explore the concept of suspense, focusing on building tension through their writing. Their final task will be to create a detailed character description of the Minotaur, bringing the creature to life using vivid language and carefully chosen words.

We will then delve into the world of Greek mythology through 'Mythologica'. Here, they will explore some of the most famous myths, gaining an understanding of the legendary figures. In addition, they will investigate the biographies of key characters within these myths, and will have an opportunity to create their own.

Home Learning



	Details	Days Handed Out	Days Handed Back In
Reading Homework	Essential homework which should be completed as a minimum of three times a week.	Monday	Monday
Spellings	Essential homework where children will learn their spellings each week for a weekly test.	Monday	Monday
Times Tables	Essential homework where children will learn their times tables and complete on Times Tables Rockstars.	Monday	Monday
Maths and English Homework	Extension homework alternating each week between maths and English. Maths will be on 'My Maths' learning platform. English homework will be stuck in to the children's exercise books. Maths will be given feedback through 'My Maths' website.	Monday	Monday
Project Homework	Extension homework which includes one task to be completed as a minimum - the tasks may include maths, English or another subject. Children will have half a term to complete this homework.	Monday	Monday

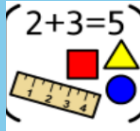
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Dance – This unit will improve rhythm, coordination, flexibility, and creativity through various dance styles.

Basketball – In this unit, the children will develop dribbling, passing, shooting, and teamwork skills.

Maths



First, the children will recap and make links between fractions, decimals and percentages. They will then move on to perimeter and area, before exploring statistics.

There is a continual focus on reasoning and applying their mathematical knowledge to solve problems.

Science



The children will be learning about Fossils, geological time and classification. There will be a focus on the overarching question: What is evolution and how do we know it happened?

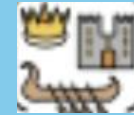
Children will have three knowledge blocks:

Knowledge Block 1: Geological time

Knowledge Block 2: Evidence for evolution

Knowledge Block 3: Classification of life

History



The children will explore Ancient Greece, focusing on the question, "What united the ancient Greeks?" They will learn how features like language and religion brought them together, while rival states sometimes caused division. Through this, they will develop skills in researching historical significance and understanding the influence of ancient Greece on the wider world.

Religious Education



The overarching theme is 'Sacrifice,' where the children explore sacrifice within the Old Testament, before moving on to explore this theme within The Easter Story.

Art & Design



The children will make links to their English and history topic on 'Ancient Greeks.' They will design their own Greek pots with a heavy focus on the design process.

Computing



The children will enhance their digital skills in the 'iMovies' unit, where they will plan and create their own movie trailer for Shadow of the Minotaur.

Music



The children will explore dynamics, tempo and structure through listening, movement, art and performance. They will develop instrumental skills and create their own group interpretations of a Greek tragedy.

Design



Technology

The children will be making pizza as part of a cooking unit, where they will learn essential culinary skills. Additionally, they will explore the craft of making Greek sandals.

French



The children will continue to learn about places around school, different school subjects and express opinions on these, as well as learning how to say the time.