

Year 5

St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

'Creating new possibilities for our future, with compassion in our hearts and courage on our journey.'



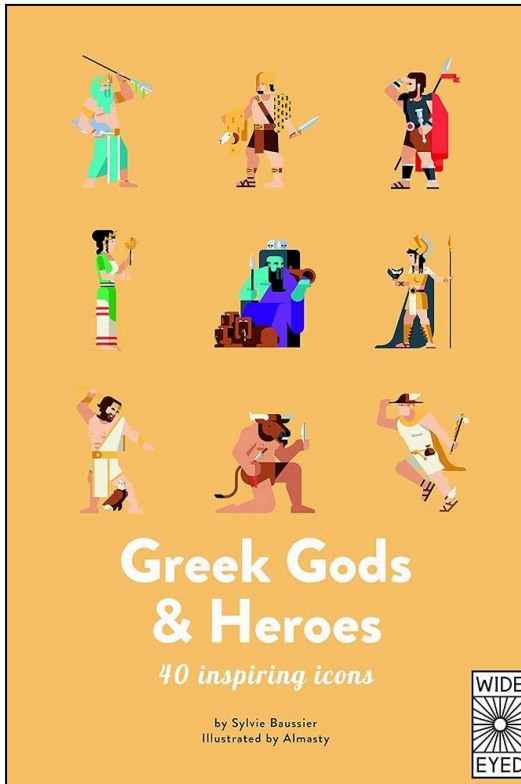
Summer 1 - Learning Overview

The Hooks

1 - Greek Gods & Heroes by Sylvie Baussier

To launch the new topic and English learning journey on the first day back, the children were greeted by Miss Young in costume. The class immediately began making predictions on what our new topic could be, and were thrilled to learn it is Ancient Greece.

In English, we will then explore a range of other texts to continue to develop the children's understanding of Greek mythology. The second learning journey will launch with an airport setup for the children to 'travel' to Mount Olympus.



What we will be teaching:

English:

In Summer 1 the children are designing their own greek god! They will then write their own non-chronological report about their God, which they will share with another class. The focus of this piece is to entertain and will help consolidate their understanding of organisational devices appropriate for this style of text. Our second writing journey will be a persuasive leaflet. Combining their knowledge of Greek Gods with their geography learning, the children are going to write a leaflet on Mount Olympus in an attempt to convince people to visit.

Maths:

During this term we will work through units on: mental strategies for addition and subtraction, multiplication/division, multiplying fractions and shape with volume.

History/Geography:

This term there is a focus on Geography. The class will explore geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country (Greece).

Science:

During Summer 1, we will continue the topic on Forces that oppose motion, which we began last half term. Through their learning, the children will explore the question 'How and why do things move?'. In the first part of this topic, we will focus on friction as a force against motion then develop our understanding of how to manage different forces.

ART/DT:

This term the focus is on Art. Year 5 will be exploring drawings and sculpture work inspired by ancient Greece. Ancient Greece has a distinct illustrative style, which the class will explore then apply to their own vase.

RE:

During summer 1 Dragonflies will further develop their understanding of the Islam faith, this time through the theme of Power.

Computing:

In this unit the class will look at vector drawings. Using digital software, they will develop their confidence using different tools to create and edit their own vector drawing with improved effect.

PE:

As we move into Summer 1 and warmer weather, PE will be exclusively outdoors. Unit 1 is cricket, where the children will link a range of skills while collaborating with a team to choose, use and adapt rules in games. They will also recognise how some aspects of fitness apply to cricket, e.g., power, flexibility and cardiovascular endurance. The second unit is athletics with a focus on field events. The class will learn to perform a range of jumps and throws.

French:

Continuing learning from Spring 2.

Music:

Our Summer 1 unit is Carnival. The children will step into the vibrant world of Brazilian samba, where rhythm, movement, and culture collide. Using listening and responding skills, the children will develop their rhythm before composing and performing their own piece inspired by Brazilian samba music.

Messages to parents:

A homework guide for the new Maths homework will shortly be sent out to help you support your children at home with the methods they learn in school. The aim of this homework is to improve confidence and accuracy for the 4 operations to support transition into Year 6. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Young.

PE days:

Outdoor = Monday

Outdoor = Thursday

Remember to check the St John's jottings weekly for dates of upcoming events in school. This is emailed each Friday and is designed to keep our community up-to-date on important events in school.

As always, please contact us if you need any support with your child, as working in partnership is so important to us.

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