

St. Swithun's: Year 5/6 Curriculum Map – Summer - Groovy Greeks!

Major outcomes for the topic: Greek Food, Greek Urns, writing a Greek Myth

English

Writing

Our initial focus in writing will be our editing and improving skills. We will look carefully at what editing and redrafting actually are and why these skills are so important when writing. We will then look at some Greek Myths and write our own.

Reading

In reading, we will continue to develop our love for reading as well as improving our comprehension and inference skills, ensuring that the evidence we provide fully supports our answers.

Grammar

Within our English sessions we will be focussing on sentence structures and using a wide range of punctuation correctly. We will also be revising expanded noun phrases, relative clauses and speech, as well as ensuring we know the correct definitions for the vocabulary.

Art & Design

We will develop our understanding about the Ancient Greek culture – specifically of Greek urns/vases. We will learn how they were made and the significance of the artwork. We will use clay to mould our designs and paint them to create our own urn.

Computing

In computing we will be looking at staying safe online and knowing who we can talk to if we have a problem. We will also be find out more about the internet and how it works. We will end with a unit on spreadsheets and how to use formulae.

Mathematics

During this term we will be consolidating our knowledge and understanding of the properties of 2D and 3D shapes as well as our fluency and problem solving using the four operations. We will then move on to algebra and learn how to recognise and use simple formula before solving problems. We will also recap measures involving volume and capacity as well as converting units. We will then look at time, involving telling the time accurately, reading and using timetables and problem solving. We will end the term by looking in more detail at open ended problem solving and mathematical investigations, allowing the children to apply all their skills from this year.

Design & Technology

We will be looking at healthy food and then creating our own healthy Greek inspired lunch box. We will also be cooking greek food with Mrs Hawkins.

Geography

In geography this term we will find out a little about Greece, including where in the world it is, what its climate and landscape is like and its similarities and differences to the UK.

Modern

Languages

We are consolidating our learning from the year and focussing on grammar and phonics using songs, games and dance!

Music

We will be doing a mix of focusing on the production songs and using African drums to create polyrhythms.

Science

In Science, we will learning about properties and changes of materials. We will compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets. We will then give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic

History

We will develop our understanding about the Ancient Greek culture. We will learn about the development of their civilisation and why it was so successful. Following this, we will learn about Ancient Greeks lifestyle and their belief systems. Finally, we will also ask our own questions, research and present our findings.

Physical

Education

In indoor PE we will focus on Gymnastic techniques - perform actions, shapes and balances consistently and fluently. Outdoors, the focus will be on: running, jumping and throwing and applying them accurately. This will be followed by striking and fielding, developing our skills in batting, bowling and fielding.

Religious

Education

In RE we will be examining the Church's belief in eternal life, as shown in the Easter story as well as exploring the story of Lazarus. We will end the year exploring Pentecost and the Church's belief in the Holy Spirit within the Trinity. We will look at the role of the apostles proclaiming the Good News.

Exciting beginnings / events/ theme days/ trips / visitors

Greek Food Tasting day

End of year production

Text, videos, music, pictures to ensure experiences of rich and varied literary heritage

Grpahic novels inspired by Percy Jackson

The Graveyard book by Neil Gaimann

PSHE / British Values

In PSHE we will be starting our Happy Mind programme, focussing on developing mental well being. We will also undertake our Sex and Relationships education unit.