

Squirrel Class Newsletter

Autumn 2 2018



Dear Parents/Carers

WELCOME back to Squirrel Class. We hope that you have all enjoyed your break.



Topic



Our topic this half term is 'Ancient Greece'. We will be doing lots of investigating and comparing Ancient Greece to where we live now.

We will be looking at how archaeologists find artefacts, what sort of food grows in Greece and the beginning of the Olympics. We will also cover where Greece is in the world and how it has changed over time.

To continue with these topics at home you could try the following:

- ✚ Try lots of different new foods e.g. olives, balsamic vinegar and feta cheese.
- ✚ Using books or a computer to find out what sort of animals live in Greece.
- ✚ Make up your own Olympic sport that you could teach a friend.

English



Our topic in English this half term is 'Traditional Tales'. We will be exploring lots of Greek Myths such as Pandora's Box and Hercules. We will also be continuing our hard work on our handwriting and reading.

Ideas to continue English at home:

- Design your own Greek God or Goddess.
- Continue sharing books at home.
- Make a cartoon of a Greek legend.

Maths



In maths this term, our focus is shape. We will be looking at 2D and 3D shapes. We will be making different patterns, exploring symmetry and directions. Can you use different shapes to make a picture at home?

Topic key language

Key words that we are focussing on this term are:
Old, new, artefacts, Greece, Olympics, toga, climate



Squirrel Class staff



Molly Poulson - class teacher

Jane Shawyer - HLTA and PPA cover

Sarah Vernal - TA

Paige Easterbrook - TA

Debbie Tallack - TA (AM only)

Key dates:

Monday 5th November- Diwali day

Friday 9th November- Sensory Light Walk

Monday 19th/Thursday 22nd November- Parents Evening

Saturday 1st December- Christmas Fayre

Friday 21st December- End of term early closure 12.45

PE



We have PE in Squirrel Class every Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon. If you have not already, please could you send your child in with an appropriate named t-shirt, shorts, plimsolls or trainers and possibly some track suit bottoms as it is getting colder!