



YEAR 5 • AUTUMN 1

Ancient Influencers



This term, we will be stepping back in time to discover the fascinating world of **Ancient Greece**! Throughout our topic, the children will develop their understanding of where Ancient Greece fits within the wider timeline of world history and learn about the key features of Greek civilisation. We will discover what life was like for people living in Ancient Greece and explore the influence and importance of the Greek Empire. The children will investigate the famous rivalry between **Athens and Sparta**, comparing these two powerful city-states and learning about their different ways of life. We will also enter the exciting world of **Greek mythology**, discovering the Gods, Goddesses and myths that were an important part of Ancient Greek culture and beliefs. Finally, we will explore the incredible **achievements and contributions of Ancient Greece**, considering how Greek ideas and innovations have influenced the modern world. From democracy and philosophy to architecture, art, literature and the Olympic Games, we will discover the lasting legacy of this remarkable civilisation.

SUPER START

Exploring all things Ancient Greek. Making our own Greek temples. Researching Greek gods and goddesses and even trying Greek food!

FAB FINISH

Olympic games, team Athens vs team Sparta.

EDUCATIONAL VISIT

British Museum

UNICEF articles - linked through core text or other curriculum areas.



OUR LEARNING THIS HALF TERM

ENGLISH

This term, children will develop their **reading, writing, grammar and vocabulary skills** through the Talk for Writing approach. They will explore a range of texts and learn how to identify and use key features of different writing styles. Our core text will be Odysseus and Tales of brave and brilliant girls from the Greek Myths. Children will write **narratives, persuasive texts and recounts**, developing their use of descriptive language, formal language, modal verbs, adverbials

MATHS

In Maths, Year 5 will follow the **White Rose Maths** curriculum, starting with **Place Value up to 1,000,000**. Children will read, write, order and compare numbers and determine the value of each digit. We strongly recommend children practice their timestables using TTRS throughout Year 5. If there is any issues please contact your class teacher.

and varied sentence openers. They will also learn how to use prefixes, suffixes and colons effectively. Throughout the term, children will plan, write, edit and improve their work, building confidence as creative and purposeful writers.	
SCIENCE This term, children will be learning about Forces. They will explore gravity and why objects fall towards the Earth, as well as investigating air resistance, water resistance and friction. Children will also discover how levers, pulleys and gears work, and how these mechanisms can help a smaller force have a greater effect.	HISTORY In History, we will be learning about Ancient Greece. The children will explore Ancient Greek civilisation, discover what life was like during this time and learn about its lasting impact on the modern world. They will also investigate some of the famous battles and conflicts that shaped Ancient Greek history.
ART / DT This term, children will explore typography and maps through drawing. They will investigate how words, shapes, lines and symbols can communicate ideas and emotions, taking inspiration from designer Louise Fili. Children will experiment with mark-making, collage and printed surfaces to create their own personal visual maps, combining typography, drawings and symbols to communicate meaning. They will also have opportunities to explain and evaluate their artistic choices.	PSHE / RE In RE, Year 5 children will explore Christianity and develop their understanding of what many Christians believe about God. They will explore key stories and teachings from the Bible and consider how these shape Christian beliefs. In PSHE, through Jigsaw, children will focus on Being Me in My World. They will set personal goals, reflect on what they value about their school community and explore leadership, motivation and positive ways to approach challenges.
MUSIC This term, Year 5 children will develop their singing skills, focusing on using their voices with accuracy and control. They will practise pitch, rhythm and expression while building confidence in singing both independently and as part of a group.	KEY TEXTS PE PE will be on a Thursday. This term, children will develop their teamwork, coordination, fitness and sporting skills through Tag Rugby and Swimming. In Tag Rugby, children will practise passing, catching, running, defending and attacking while developing their ability to work effectively as part of a team. In Swimming, children will develop their water confidence, swimming

		technique, stamina and safety awareness.
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