



# Year 4 Newsletter

## Groovy Greeks



Welcome to all our new year 4 children!

We hope you have had a lovely and enjoyable summer holiday and you're feeling refreshed and ready to learn.

We have got a fun-filled Autumn term planned, busy with trips and exciting topics for all the children to learn about. Our first topic is 'Groovy Greeks' where we will be learning about the history of ancient Greece.

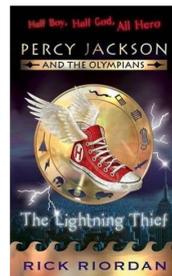
We look forward to meeting you all again soon.

Miss Rushmer and Mr Turner

## English

In English this term, we will be basing our writing around different books. We will begin by studying the story book called 'Firebird'. We will be working towards writing our own narrative based around the story's features, including expanded noun phrases, tense and use of paragraphs.

The other stories that we are going to be looking at are Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief, The Matchbox Diary and The Selfish Giant. If you would like to, feel free to read any of these stories during the summer. It would be great to hear what you think about them.



## Maths

In Maths this term, we will be recapping and consolidating our knowledge of place value in order to support our future learning. This will also help us with our multiplication and division topic, where we will be looking at using formal written methods.

We will also be looking at interpreting data in different forms and creating graphs and charts. Alongside this, we will be looking at measure, including temperature and how it increases and decreases.

We would appreciate it if you could practise your timetables up to the 12 times table, as we will be using these with in our daily maths lessons.



## Homework

Homework will continue to be given out on a weekly basis. The children will receive a piece of Maths, a piece of English and a set of spellings each week.



In addition to this, Mathematics tasks will be set which the children are expected to complete at home alongside reading each day.

## Attendance

In Year Four, we are continuing our drive to ensure that our attendance is exemplary. We encourage the children to attend promptly every day to ensure that they are making excellent progress. We are aiming for each Year Four class to receive a cake for 100% attendance. Thank you for your continued support with this aim.



## Spellings

We will be sending out weekly spellings to practise at home. These spellings will be based around a particular rule or gaps in the children's learning based on assessments. The children will receive the spellings on a Friday. We anticipate that we will test these on Tuesday.

## PE

Our PE day is to be confirmed—watch this space!

Please bring your PE kit on the first day. We encourage you to leave PE kits at school during the week before taking them home at the weekends. Your child will need an indoor and outdoor kit at school.

Our swimming day is to be confirmed—watch this space!

Please make sure swimming kit includes a swimming hat. Thank you and enjoy your summer break and we will see you in September.

## Key Contacts

Office: 01354 692323

Headteacher: Mrs Pritchard

Designated child protection officers: Mrs Stevens, Miss Williams, Mrs Edmond, Mrs Green and Mrs J Pritchard.

## The Kingsfield Extra Homework Challenge:

Hi, children! Bored stiff during the holidays? Desperate to do a bit of extra homework and really impress your teachers back at school? Well now you can, with The Kingsfield Extra Homework Challenge! You may even receive extra Kingsfield Coins for your efforts. This will depend on the following factors: the amount of effort you put in; the presentation of the work you bring back, and the accuracy of the work itself. Coins will be awarded at your teacher's discretion. You may even be asked to showcase your work in assembly, in class, or for it to go on the Behaviours for Learning display in school.

### Topic: Groovy Greeks

There are so many fantastic facts to learn about the Groovy Greeks.



Curious Colin says: 'Where did they live? What did they wear? What did they eat? How do the Olympics link to the Greeks?'. Create a fun fact file about the Greeks using as many facts as you can.



Creative Chloe says: 'Can you build a Greek temple, a vase or a Greek statue that we could put on our display? If you can't bring it in, you could bring in photographs to show you making it'.



Why not write a piece of poetry or a story about a Greek god or hero? Can you be Independent Isla and re-search the Greek gods first in order to help you?

