



Class 3 Curriculum Update

May 2022

Values: Love and Respect

Keeping the Peace - Athens V Sparta.

The children have really enjoyed learning about Ancient Greece. The focus on Greek Mythology has really got their imaginations going and they have enjoyed learning about the different Greek Gods, the beasts and the hero Hercules and including these in their writing. We have touched on the country of Greece and will have looked more closely at the different aspects of Ancient Greece and how some of their inventions still benefit us today. I have loved reading the different fiction and non-fiction texts to the children because of their engagement.

Maths

In maths, we have recently explored fractions, which has been a difficult concept but with lots of practical activities the children are getting there. At home, if you are sharing sweets or cutting fruit and cake please could you involve the children and reinforce the language of halves, quarters, fifths and a whole. Questions such as would you rather $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{2}{5}$ of a cake or would you rather $\frac{7}{10}$ or $\frac{4}{5}$ of a pound are great to get them really thinking.

Forest School

The children have explored the wider area of Forest School on their walks. They have been trying to spot the deer and foxes that are in the area. In addition, they have thoroughly enjoyed searching for bugs and creating spaces that would welcome more creatures. They have been focusing on some of the plants that have been growing and coming into colour and using their skills of painting with water colours to capture their bloom.

Jubilee

Thank you everyone for your superb efforts with dressing in the Union Jack colours or fancy dress and making superb flags to share for the picnic celebration. The children have enjoyed their learning about the queen this week and you can see on the class page photos of their drawings of the queen and Union Jack history. Seeing children so engaged in their learning that they are going home to find out more has been an absolute pleasure.

Rainforests

Our next theme will be about rainforests. We will be focusing on the habitats they provide and how deforestation is impacting on many species and areas. The children have always shown an interest in animals when we have learnt about other areas and I am looking forward to them sharing their knowledge next half term. We will have a heavy focus on Values within this and do lots of work around developing global awareness around supermarket products that derive from the rainforest. Although much of our learning will be around our Geography skills we will use our writing skills to communicate and share our research and learning.

Homework

The children have weekly homework.

Maths - TT Rockstars. The expectation is to play $\frac{3}{4}$ games per day.

Reading - The children should read for a minimum of 15 minutes per day and record this so that it will count towards their 40 reads.

Spelling - Spelling Shed. The expectation is to play $\frac{3}{4}$ games per day.