

PHOENIX CLASS

SPRING 2018

THE ANCIENT GREEKS

In Science our topic will be 'Light' and the children will learn about:

- ❖ Light sources both manmade and natural;
- ❖ How we see objects;
- ❖ Reflection and refraction.

In our Foundation subjects we will be:

- ❖ We will be learning how to describe people and objects using adjectives in French. We will also be learning how to ask different questions;
- ❖ Studying Sikh worship in RE;
- ❖ Doing internet research and looking at webpage design in Computing;
- ❖ We will be learning to use SMART thinking skills to problem solve in PSHE ;
- ❖ In music, we will be reading musical notation using the glockenspiels and composing. In addition we will be rehearsing and performing;
- ❖ Playing basketball (Tuesday pm) and Gymnastics (Wednesday am) in PE. On Fridays there will be a dance lesson.

Through our study of Ancient Greece we will be learning about:

- ❖ The chronology of the Greek Empire and placing it relative to other ancient civilisations;
- ❖ Mapping the Empire, its trade and its battles;
- ❖ Famous Ancient Greek philosophers and inventors and their legacy;
- ❖ Growing up in the different City States;
- ❖ Famous wars and battles;
- ❖ Food, diet and agriculture;
- ❖ Clothing, entertainment, art and sculpture plus the architecture and landmark buildings;
- ❖ The Ancient Olympics.

- ❖ Homework will be continue to be set on Thursdays and should be returned by the following Tuesday. We expect the children to take care with presentation and they should use a black handwriting pen or pencil (maths). The home work should take about 20 mins per subject for year 5 and half an hour per subject for year 6. If your child is struggling please come and see us, ring or email.
- ❖ Spelling lists and rules/patterns are sent home on Wednesdays for a test the same day the following week. In addition, the children have the statutory word lists for years 3/4 and 5/6 to practise independently.
- ❖ Daily independent reading will build up stamina and improve comprehension.
- ❖ It is important to continue to practise times tables and number facts to maintain speed and fluency.