



# YARDLEY GOBION CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



*"Using the talents God gave us to achieve and shine"*

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER- **Amethyst CLASS:** Summer 2021

**THEME:** *Ancient Greece/ The History of the Olympics: During this topic we will be finding out all about how the Ancient Greeks lived. We will be exploring how life was different in Athens as opposed to Sparta; learning about some great leaders of the time and taking an in-depth look at the origins and history of the Olympic Games building up to this summer's games in Tokyo.*

### KEY EVENTS, VISITS OR VISITORS

- **Captain Tom mufti day- Friday 23rd April.**
- **Assessment week Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April onwards**

### HOME LEARNING/ Teacher to home

**Spellings-** This term the spellings for the children to learn will be available on Spelling Shed. If you have internet issues then please let me know and I will ensure a paper copy is also handed out. The weekly tests will continue to be given on a Friday where the children are expected to score 6 or above.

**Times tables-** It is a national curriculum requirement that all children know their times tables by the end of Year 4. There are still some children that do not currently know all of their tables and as such I would be grateful if you could support the school by putting in extra practice at home. Well done to those that consistently do well when we play games in school and always get full marks in our weekly tests!

We would also like to remind you that if you wished to view the materials we are using in our changes element of PSHE please feel free to contact us.

## LEARNING: OUR FOCUS IN EACH AREA FOR THIS TERM IS;

### AS MATHEMATICIANS:

This term we will be focusing on using our calculation methods to answer real life problems. In addition, we will be putting our maths to the test in the 'real world' when working out profit margins when selling products to the rest of the school.

### AS READERS:

**Reading every night is really important to develop your skills.**

We would like you to read one fiction book and one non-fiction book (which might be linked to our theme.) Please encourage the children to read a wide variety of books rather than sticking to one genre. In class we will be focusing on inference - finding facts out to help us understand the deeper meaning from a text. Our class text is called 'Pig Heart Boy'.

### AS WRITERS:

This term we will be focusing on non-fiction texts and specifically: persuasive writing, information texts and balanced arguments. At the end of Year 6, the children will sit a spelling and grammar SATs assessment. The children will be given a booklet listing all the terminology they need to know and apply in the test. Please support your child in learning these terms.

**As Geographers:** we will be locating key parts of Ancient and modern day Greece on a map and considering why Greece and its surrounding islands are so popular with tourists today

**As Artists:** we will be learning about the famous Ancient ruins and designing and making our own Greek temples.

**As Scientists:** we will be learning about the life cycles of plants and animals.

**As Computer Scientists:** we will be learning about internet safety and how web pages are created.

**As Physical learners:** we will be developing cricket and tennis skills as well as enacting famous battles through dance. .

**As Linguists:** we will be reading and translating short texts using dictionaries.

### AS RELIGIOUS LEARNERS:

Our RE focus is on the key question: Why do some people believe in God and some people not?

### FOR OUR MENTAL WELLBEING:

In PSHE we will following the Jigsaw scheme of work which- this term- allows the children to think about Relationships and How things change as we get older.