

Learning Forecast

Autumn 2 It's all Greek to me!

Class Hensting Class



Welcome to Hensting Class. We share these 'Learning Forecasts' every half term to give an insight into the key areas that we will focus on with your child.

English

Our English and guided reading this half term will all be linked to our topic of Ancient Greeks. We will look being looking at a range of fiction texts and myths to develop our understanding of Greeks and their stories.

We will start off by looking at some well known myths including Theseus and the Minotaur and King Midas. They will then be writing a narrative for the story of King Midas and the golden touch. We will then take a deeper look into the mythical creatures portrayed in Greek Myths and they will write a detailed character description on their own mythical creature. Finally we will look at the narrative poem 'Beowulf'. We will look at the final story which occurs 50 years after Beowulf faces Grendel and the children will be writing an entertaining narrative poem retelling the story of Beowulf and his battle with the dragon.

Maths

This half term we will be studying fractions, multiplication and division. The children will learn the language around fractions including numerator and denominator as well as how to convert improper and proper fractions, add and subtraction fractions, multiply and divide fractions and finding fractions of an amount. Then we will be using formal written methods for multiplication and division. We will finally have a look at the order of operations using the acronym BODMAS. In the morning were are also doing lots of maths challenges were we recap on previously learnt skills and extend our learning further with topics we are yet to focus on.

Computing

In computing we will explore how we use spreadsheets and how data is organised within them. We will use simple formulae to carry out calculations.

History

This half term in history we will be focusing on Ancient Greece . We will make a study of everyday Greek life and the achievements of Ancient Greek civilisation. Having learnt about these achievements we will consider the influence these have had upon everyday modern life in the western world.

DT

This half term we will be investigating Ancient Greek art. The children will be creating their choice of either a vase or a theatre mask. To achieve this they will develop their knowledge of clay and how they can manipulate it to create different shapes.

PSHE

Rights and respect

We will be learning about the difference between fact and opinions as well as the different rights, respects and duties people have. We will also have a look into money and spending it wisely.

Science

Light

In science We will be learning about light and how light travels. We will also learn about how we see objects and how light travels into the eye.

Reading

In reading this half term we are looking at 'Who let the Gods out'. It is a really captivating story and as we read we are going to be pulling different themes from the book and look into those themes in more depth each week. During each week we will be looking at a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts as well as poetry to really expand the children's reading genres. The main themes we will be looking at with this book are Mental Health, Myths and Legends and poverty.

Reminders

Please make sure your child brings in their water bottle each day and they are emptied out each night.

Please can they have a pair of names wellies to keep in school.

If the weather is hot please apply sun cream or send your child in with some if they can apply it themselves with a sunhat if necessary.

They can bring ONE healthy fruit snack in their book bag or they can have a piece of free fruit on offer in school.

