



Class 4 Newsletter

Spring Term - 02/03/2018



This Week

Our **Theme** for this half term is the '**A Greek Odyssey**'. This means, in **English**, we have been able to get our teeth stuck into the genre of 'Myths'. We have continued to focus on 'The Twelve Tasks of Heracles'. We have created a monster, a setting and have planned our own version of Heracles. We will be writing our own versions next week. In **Maths**, we have applied our Place Value knowledge of powers of 10 to units of measure. We have found equivalent measurements of distance, mass and capacity. We have converted between different units of measure. In **Science**, we completed our write up of the experiment on cultivating roses. We also explored the gestation period of different animals and we compared them using bar graphs. In **RE**, the Year 5 children have started a Bible Explorer course with our friend James B. The Year 4's continued to think about the concept of betrayal and how it felt. We also explored how Jesus and disciples trust each other. In **History**, we discussed how the Greek civilization established itself and how the Greek Empire expanded. In **PE**, we continued with our gymnastics work, focussing on strength and balance; the Year 4 children went **swimming**. In **Computing**, we started to code using variables, setting us up for creating a game using variables.

Next Week...

English: Creating our own version of Heracles
Maths: Area and Perimeter
Science: The gestation period of different animals (with a focus on humans)
RE: Bible Explorer and exploring the Easter story
History: How was Greece governed?

Attendance

As yet, our class hasn't won the honour of being the class with the highest attendance. Let's make this half term the half term it happens!

If you arrive to school late after the register closes at 9:05am then that is marked down as an unauthorised absence.

If your child is attending school but you may be late, please contact the office.

Important Dates

Mon 5th Mar: Gymnastics club 3:30-4:30pm
 Wed 7th Mar: KS2 PTA Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (Y3&4 - 2:00-2:30pm / Y5&6 - 2:30-3:00pm)
 Wed 7th Mar: Open Door from 3:15-4:00pm
 Thur 8th Mar: Sing Together Concert at King George's Hall, Blackburn
 Fri 9th Mar: Swimming for Y4 children
 Mon 12th Mar: Y5/6 Borwick presentation at 9:10am (parents invited)
 Wed 21st Mar: Parents' Evening
 Mon 26th Mar: Easter Activity Day (Parent helpers welcome - please contact school)
 Tue 27th Mar: Easter Around the World Celebration at 9:30am

Stars of the Week

The **Christian Value** certificate for the value of **PEACE** goes to **Natasha Ramsay** for going about all her work in a peaceful manner.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Rubie Derbyshire** for a super attitude to her Maths.

Outstanding Behaviour

The children this week that have modelled outstanding behaviour 3 or more times are:

Libby B, Dylan, Cayden, Keinan, Logan, Libby P, Natasha, Daniel, Connor

Emilee, Rubie, Freya, Oliver, Natalia, Emily H, Russell, Emily K, Kaitlyn, Max, Harrison, Jessica, Alfie, Shane, Jasmine, Lilly-Mae

Homework

This half term project lets you explore a feature of the Ancient Greek civilization on your own. You can use websites and library books to help you! **It should ALL be your own work!** (Do not copy and paste!) Each week there is a new task for you to complete (like Heracles) to help spread the project out.

The project should be handed in on Thursday 22nd March.

Week Three (w/b 5th March)

Imagine you are writing a non-fiction book about your topic. What would the blurb say? Write around 100 words.

Extra Mile: Write a chapter from your book.

As always, you can talk to me about your child's progress. My Open Door is on Wednesday from 3:15-4:00pm.

Mr Bateman