

Picknall's First School
This half term Year 3's topic will be Greece past and present
Please help your child to explore this topic;



In Geography we will be investigating where Greece is in the world and what natural and man-made features can be found there. We will be labelling continents and oceans.

We will be looking at how the Ancient Greeks lived - their gods, homes and lifestyle. Our studies will include the history of the Olympic Games and the Greek legacy.

R.E will focus on religion in the home.

Playing the recorder and reading musical notation will be the main focus in Music.

In Computers we will use the ipads to create short animations.

We will look at famous self-portraits and create portraits of Greek gods. We will also look at the use of pattern in Greek art. Using mixed media we will design and create monsters.

Within P.E we will be focusing on gymnastic skills- core shapes, balances and travelling. We will create and refine sequences on the floor and on apparatus. Class 6 will continue to swim this half term and class 5 will focus on ball skills.

In French we will look at the story of the snowman.

In science we will compare rocks and look at their uses.

Key Questions

Who were the main Greek gods? How many famous Greek buildings can you name?

How have the Ancient Greeks influenced modern day life?

English

During this half term we will be reading a variety of Greek myths and legends. This will build up to writing our own myth. We will focus on the use of powerful descriptive language as well as continuing to develop correct use of punctuation.

Phonics/spellings will be taught daily.

Comprehension activities and individual reading will be a weekly focus.

Maths

Children will continue to learn and practise times tables and recall the related division facts. They will use this knowledge to work out how to multiply a 2 digit number with a 1 digit number and move on to more formal methods. We will look at scaling problems. Children will practise adding and subtracting money and giving change.