



'Being Better Every Day'

Thursday 24th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter – Term 2

We are excited to share our second curriculum newsletter of the new school year! We have some great units planned for this school year. For each unit, we will share a newsletter about the term ahead and provide an overview of the learning.

*In **Term 2**, our unit title continues to be 'Who Let the Gods Out? There is a geography focus to this unit.*



In this fascinating Geography unit, we will be uncovering the natural wonders that Greece and Scotland have to offer. The children will learn to read OS maps and develop an understanding of the topographical features of both countries. They will learn about their natural and manmade features and compare them. The unit ends by investigating why both countries are such popular holiday destinations.

During this unit, your child will attempt to answer the concept question:

'What makes Greece and Scotland both popular tourist destinations?'

(We have attached a 'Knowledge Organiser' for this unit, providing an overview of the topic; this should be a useful resource for pupils and parents.)

Home Learning Project

For each unit, we will ask your child to complete a home learning project. We ask that every child has a go at completing a project that can be brought into school. For this unit, we would like your child to plan a holiday to Greece or Scotland. This includes travel, accommodation, and an itinerary of activities.

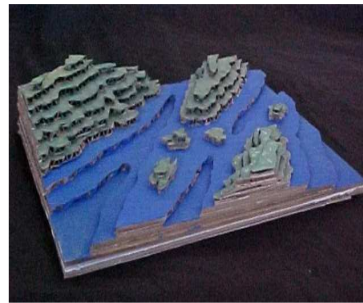
Alternatively, your child may want to do one of the projects listed below:

- 3D map of one or both countries
- A fact-file about the mountains of each country
- Prepare a presentation about popular landmarks in either or both countries.
- Landscape collage.

Your child may wish to come up with their own idea for their home learning project. Your child may wish to complete their project by themselves or need your support in completing their project – either is fine and we look forward to see them.

Images

Below are some images to inspire your home-school projects.



We have also included a list of websites you could explore at home to help your child with their learning.

Useful Websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zbkw2hv>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z87tn39>

https://kids.kiddle.co/Mountains_and_hills_of_Scotland

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/geography/countries/article/greece>

Reading

Reading is the single most important skill that children will learn and we expect every child to read at home every day. In Year 6, we expect every child to read with an adult for a minimum of **25 minutes** every day. Reading takes on many forms and can take place just about anywhere, including the reading of labels and signs, and in magazines and comics. Parents and carers should record the daily reading activity in your child's reading record and send it in daily.

Times Tables

Additionally, we would like the children to be practising their times tables every day for at least **25 minutes**. The children all have an individual account for **Times Table Rock Stars** which they can use to support their learning. The aim is for all children to improve and learn all their times tables facts.

A menu of optional weekly homework tasks will be sent out at the beginning of next term.

In addition, Year 6 pupils can expect a weekly piece of maths and English homework which should be handed in to the class teacher on completion.

PE

This term, our PE lesson will take place on **Friday afternoons**. Your child can continue to wear their PE kit to school on Fridays. Jogging bottoms rather than shorts may be worn as the weather turns colder.

We hope your child has enjoyed their first term in Year 6!

Yours sincerely,



Miss Elms



Mr Bardot

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