

# Nightingale Primary School

## Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term Year 5



Welcome to our Autumn newsletter all about Ancient Greece and Polar regions. Here is all the information about topics for this term. Please read them carefully and talk to your child about what they are learning. Don't hesitate to get in contact with any member of the team if you need any help.

## Autumn 1

### Reading

**Book Studies:**  
Mythologica by Dr. Stephen Kershaw

Who let the Gods out?  
by Maz Evans

### Writing

**Non-chronological report:** A report about their chosen God/Goddess, which is related to their end of half term performance

**Newspaper report:** A newspaper report about Theseus and the Minotaur

### Maths

Number and place value  
Addition and subtraction  
(measures context)  
Multiplication and division  
Measurement (area and arrays)  
Fractions

### Greeks

Half term project: Greek artefact: either make/research a Greek artefact. What different media could you use to create your artefact? Could you create a fact file about a Greek artefact?



### PE

Fitness/Swimming

### History:

Learning about Ancient Greece – a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world.

### RE

Belonging

### Science

Light & Sight: Exploring how light travels and enables us to see.

### Art

A collage/mask of their chosen Greek God/Goddess for their end of half term performance

### Music

Composition & listening: Greek Music

### PSHE

Being me in my world

# Autumn 2

## Writing

**Story writing:** To write a narrative based on Sky Song, focusing character and setting description.

**Fact file:** a well-researched and presented fact file on a polar animal.

## Reading

**Book Studies:**

**Sky Song** by Abi Elphinston

**Race to the Frozen North**

by Catherine Johnson

**The Polar Express** by Chris Van Allsburg

## Maths

Fractions

Measurement (Time)

Number: PV with measurement (mass & capacity) and all 4 operations

## Polar Regions

**Half term project: Fact book:**  
Create a small book with a range of facts about either:

- an arctic animal
- an arctic explorer.



## Science

**Life cycles:** comparing mammals, amphibians, insects, birds and humans.

**Life processes** – reproduction in plants and animals.

**Changes in humans** from babies to old age.

## PE

Netball/Dance

## Geography:

Identify features of countries including physical and human characteristics

## RE

Interpretation

## Art

**Water colour painting:** using watercolour techniques to produce polar theme skiescapes.

## PSHE

Celebrating difference

## PE

Autumn 1 – Monday

Autumn 2 - Lapwings: Friday

- Skylarks: Wednesday

## Library

Autumn 1 – Friday

Autumn 2 – Thursday

## Who's who in Year 5



Mr Hooton



Miss Cottrell



Mrs Pink



Mrs Swartz



Mrs Beirne