

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

Writing

Non-chronological report:
A report about their chosen Greek Mythical creature.

Narrative: A fiction action scene continuing the story of Theseus and the Minotaur

Reading

Book Studies:

Mythologica by Dr. Stephen Kershaw/**Leo and the Gorgon's curse** by Joe Todd

Who let the Gods out?
by Maz Evans

Maths

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

Greeks

Final outcome: We will celebrate our learning with our exciting Greek day. Children will be invited to dress in Ancient Greek clothing and take part in cultural activities from cooking to mosaics



Science

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

PE

Yoga/Dodgeball

History:

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

RE

Belonging

Art

Clay sculptures of mythical Greek creatures.

Music

Composition & listening: Greek Music

PSHE

Being me in my world

PE

Monday - Yoga
Friday - Dodgeball

Library

Skylark- Monday
Lapwing - Tuesday

Autumn 2

Writing

Letter: To write a an informal letter from the great explorer, Shackleton.

Narrative: To write a story set in the Antarctic based on our novel, Melt.

Reading

Book Studies:

Melt by Ele Fountain

Shackleton's Journey

by William Grill

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

Exciting visit:

We are lucky enough to have our own polar explorer visit us to share his journey and experiences travelling with his crew to Antarctica.



Science

Sound:

How are sounds made? How does it travel? Can it be changed? We will investigate the answers to all these questions as well as pitch and volume.

PE

Golf/Dance

Geography:

Identify the position, significance of latitude & longitude and specific lines on our Earth such as Equator and Tropics.

RE

Interpretation

Art

Water colour and ink painting: to use watercolour and mark marking techniques to produce polar themed skylscapes based on William Grill's art.

PSHE

Celebrating difference

Who's who in Year 5

