

### Topic - Ancient Cultures

#### (Cross-curricular with History, Geography, Art, & DT)

The children will be examining the ancient cultures of China and Greece. They will look at the origins of the Terracotta Army and examine some myths of Ancient China.

They will then move on to looking at the myths and legends of Ancient Greece, putting them into context with events and places from that era. The learning within this theme focuses on life in Ancient Greece and the impact that their thinking and ideas have had on British life and society.

### Art/DT

Children will be exploring ancient art this half term. They will experience first-hand the sculptures of the Terracotta Army from China. They will sketch some Terracotta Army - style soldiers using pencil and chalk techniques. They will then research and replicate the original sculpting techniques, resulting in them sculpting in clay themselves.

### Science: Animals including Humans - growth and development of humans; exercise and the circulatory system.

Children will be:

Continuing to understand the different changes the human body goes through during a lifetime. We will be looking at life expectancy and focusing on the benefits of healthy eating and exercise as well as keeping the body clean and healthy. We will also be focused on keeping the mind healthy through learning.

## Summer 2 - Faster! Higher! Stronger! Year Five

**Stimulus:** Terracotta Army trip  
Ancient Myths and Legends of China and Greece.

**End of topic celebration:** Greek Heroes Day

### Local/National/Global Links:

Local Links: Exploring locally grown food.

National Links: Exploring heritage foods from across the country.

### P.E - Athletics / Rounders.

The children will be using the field for athletics and rounders. They will be practising:

- Sustaining and maintaining a running speed, improving on their own personal target.
- Catching a small ball with two hands.
- Stopping a ball, throwing it back to a partner, bowler or keeper accurately.
- Throwing a small bowl accurately.
- Striking a ball accurately into spaces and different parts of the playing area.
- Developing their team work and evaluation skills.

**P.E. is on Mondays and Wednesdays - Please ensure that the children have outdoor kits and trainers with them.**

### PSHE & Philosophy:

We will continue to explore the concepts of friendship through talk and working with others.

We will work on recognising and interpreting more complex body language and non-verbal skills.

### R.E:

Exploring loss, death and Christian hope. We will be discussing Biblical images of heaven followed by reflecting on our own interpretation of it. We will be looking at different religions from around the world and how they celebrate the lives of friends and family that have passed away.

### Modern Foreign Languages: French

We will be learning about the weather and environment this half term. We will learn to:

- Talk about the weather.
- Discuss nouns about the garden.
- Discuss what we can do in the garden.
- Read and translate a story using vocabulary already known.

### ICT / Computing.

Children will be exploring open-ended programming through the use of Scratch. They will use repetition, variables and selection in programs. They will design and create programs to accomplish specific tasks and goals, Use logical reasoning to develop systematic strategies that can be used to debug algorithms and programs.

### Music

Children will be taking part in The Sixteen Choral Pilgrimage - exploring, composing and performing acapella sacred and secular English music from composers Cornysh and Britten.

### Numeracy & Literacy:

Please see links to National Curriculum Maths and English.