

## English



The children's writing this term will be based upon episodes in the story of Odysseus and his adventures on his journey home after the Trojan War.

They will have opportunities to write in narrative and non-narrative forms. For example, they will create action accounts of the storming of Troy and the Horse of Wood; formulate directions for a journey to Hades and entries for a mythological encyclopaedia.

They will also have the opportunity to read from a wide range of group reading books with stories and information to increase their understanding of our topic.

**Core texts:** Orchard Book of Greek Myths.  
The Adventures of Odysseus

## Computing

In computing lessons, the children will research using the Internet and share ideas using Kidblog. They will also develop their coding skills using the Scratch program to make an animated Greek story



## Music

The children will continue to learn to play the violin with the tuition supplied by the West Sussex Music Service:



## R.E.

The children will learn about Hinduism and the beliefs and festivals of this faith. Later in the term they will develop their understanding of the key Christian celebration of Easter. The children will learn about faith and the difference it makes to

## Science



**Skeletons:** The children will learn about humans and other animals by focusing on their skeletons. They will explore human muscles and their movement and investigate their own ideas about size, age and growth.

**Magnets:** The children will explore how magnets work, magnetic forces and magnetic materials. They will have the opportunity to make magnetic devices.

# Myths and Monsters (Ancient Greeks) Year 3 Spring Term.



## History

The children will explore the world of the Ancient Greeks, including:  
Chronology – Ancient Greeks on a timeline;  
Their daily lifestyle;  
The first Olympians;  
The importance of their Gods;  
Mythological creatures.  
The importance of city states such as Sparta and Athens

**A visit from the Rainbow Theatre Company will support our learning where the children will be invited to dress up Greeks for the day! More details to follow.**

## Mathematics

In maths lessons, we will continue to work to ensure that the children have mastered basic concepts to secure their future progress in the subject. Number bond and times table knowledge will be central to this.

They will become confident in their understanding of place value in numbers to 1000, solving practical problems using equipment and written methods. As well as continuing our learning on multiplication and division, the children will work to master fractions and telling the time.

## Art / D.T.



In art, the children will make paper designs with Grecian patterns for the covers of their own Greek book. By studying examples of authentic Greek masks, the children will work in clay using slab techniques to create versions of their own. By researching different mechanisms for measuring time, the children will develop their understanding ready to make a Greek water clock, (Clepsydra), which they will calibrate to measure seconds accurately.

## P.S.H.C.E.



Relationships: Changes – the children will explore how change can make us feel. They will be working on setting and achieving personal goals.

## P.E.



Dance – 'The battle of Troy': dramatising the myth of the wooden horse through duets and group dance.  
Basketball / Tennis – Learning skills and match techniques  
Gymnastics – sequencing and controlling movements using floor work and apparatus. Re-enacting the Ancient Greek