

Year 3 Home Learning – Topic – Groovy Greeks- Summer 2

Learning at School:

For your information, this half term we are teaching the following areas:

Week 1

- I can identify what I already know about Ancient Greece
- I can write my name using the Greek alphabet
- I can locate Ancient Greek civilisation on a timeline.
- I can show where Greece is and how it fits into the wider world
- I can identify and compare the main features of quest myths
- I can role play an Ancient Greek myth.

Week 2

- I can plan a mythical creature.
- I can make a mythical creature out of clay
- I can write a description of a mythical creature
- I can plan my myth

Week 3

- I can write a myth
- I can edit and improve a myth
- I can identify some of the Greek Gods and their importance to the Greeks
- I can identify the purpose of Greek temples
- I can name four of the major city states of Ancient Greece and their characteristics
- I can explain what life was like in Ancient Greece.
- I can investigate Ancient Greece through what has been left behind

Week 4

- I can explain the main events and characters of a key battle (Trojan War)
- I can investigate primary sources of Ancient Greek life
- I can research Ancient Greek pottery designs
- I can understand the Greek influence on the Modern Olympic Games.

Week 5

- I can plan the design of my own Greek pot
- I can design my own Greek pot
- I can understand the legacy of the Ancient Greeks
- I can review what I learnt about Ancient Greece

Week 6

- I can explain the function of the different parts of a plant.
- I can investigate what a plant needs to live and grow.
- I can understand the life cycle of a plant

Week 7

- I can identify the features of an explanation text
- I can plan an explanation text
- I can write an explanation text
- I can edit and improve an explanation text.

Practical projects:

Here are some activities you can do with your children:

Create your own traditional Olympic torch out of cardboard and tissue paper.

Reading: You should be reading **every day** and discussing your book at home. To support your learning in school, please also read about your new topic. See below for some suggested books or visit your local library for more guidance.

'Eyewitness Ancient Greece' by DK

'Ancient Greeks' by Stephanie Turnbull

'A Visitor's Guide to Ancient Greece' by Osbourne Books

'Greek Myths' by Marcia Williams

For further reading suggestions, please visit the curriculum blog (100 books to read before leaving primary school).

Talk Topics:

To support your learning in school, talk to your family about the following topics:

What is your favourite Greek myth and why?

What do plants need to grow?

What made Greek soldiers so powerful?

Spelling and Writing:

To support your learning in school, see the attached spelling lists for you to practise reading and writing. If you already know these words, try putting them into sentences. We have also included 3 writing tasks to practise your sentence structure. You will also find 3 SPaG tasks to complete.

Topic Vocabulary:

To support your learning in school, please become familiar with these words and find out what they mean. Learn to **read** them and try using them in sentences.

Groovy Greeks:

Greece, Greeks, Ancient, world, map, gods, Athens, Sparta, Troy, Crete, Corinth, Argos Greece, Greeks, Ancient, Agora, meat, hunt, festivals, food, wine, men, woman, roles, slaves, Trojan horse, Mycenae, Odysseus

English:

Myths, legends, drama, characters, structure, paragraphs.

Useful websites and further learning opportunities:

To support your learning in school, visit the following websites:

<https://www.bbc.com/education/topics/z87tn39>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Greece.html>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/ancient_greeks/greek_world/

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/zxytpv4>