

# Year 3 Maple and Birch Class



## Welcome back Year 3!

We hope you have had a great break and are looking forward to the new term.

### Reminders:

Birch: Mr Dando and Mrs Beal

Maple: Miss Jones and Mrs Beasley

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PE days are on Monday and Friday.



### English

During this half term's English, our classes will be looking at lots of exciting texts. We will be:

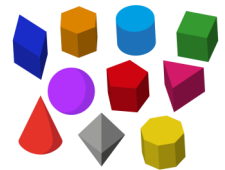
- Writing a themed narrative based on 'Here Comes Hercules' by Stella Tarakson
- Making a non-chronological report about Ancient Greece
- Reading and understanding the poem 'Please Mr Butler' by Allan Ahlberg
- Creating our own Greek myth



### Maths

In their maths lessons this term, the children will be:

- Understanding and using the 24 hour clock
- Recognising properties of 2D and 3D shapes
- Identifying horizontal and vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines
- Comparing turns and angles
- Interpreting bar charts
- Drawing bar charts



### Reading at home - Accelerated Reader

We are continuing to encourage the children to read their chosen book throughout the week in school and at home. Children will then complete a quiz on their chosen book to assess their understanding.

### Times tables

Please continue to use 'Times Table Rockstars' to practise rapid recall of multiplication and division facts.



### Spelling

Please practise the weekly spellings off the spelling sheet.

# Gods and Mortals

During this theme, we will be:

- Selecting and using a range of historical sources to find out about life in ancient Greece
- Making a Greek puppet show to explore light and shadows
- Identifying the legacy of ancient Greece and how it has had an impact on Britain today
- Designing and making our own Greek pot by using tools and techniques to mould and shape clay

## Religious Education

Explore the life of key religious figures to make links with special significances to followers.



## PSHE

Think about how money effects the world economically and why it is used.

## PE

Perfect our throwing, running and jumping skills in preparation for sports morning.



## Homework

Try your best to complete at least 2 pieces of homework this half term. Remember to bring your homework in to school so that we can celebrate your hard work in class.

Make or draw your own mythical creature and give it an exciting name.

Research a Greek philosopher such as Pluto, Aristotle, Archimedes or Pythagoras.

Make some traditional Greek dishes such as moussaka or a Greek salad.

Look at images of Greek pots, plates and patterns. Draw or paint a Greek scene suitable for a vase or plate.

Read and retell a Greek myth, e.g. 'Medusa', and illustrate your story in detail.

Look at holiday brochures and plan an imaginary family holiday to Greece.