



Weekly Curriculum News

! INFORMATION & REMINDERS

The children had a fantastic trip this week at the Natural History Museum. It was great to see them applying the knowledge they had gained during our Topic.

Please note that there will be no CCAs next week, due to Project Week and staff being away. There will also be a change to Year 5 PE next week. The students will have a double PE lesson on Wednesday.

Please make sure the students bring their iPads to school each day and that they are fully charged.

Friday 6th November - School photo orders early-bird deadline (please order online using instructions on letter)

Saturday 7th November, 6-9pm - Bonfire Night

Thursday 12th November, 9am - Juniors Coffee Morning

Tuesday 17th November; 9am to 11am and then repeated from 5pm to 7pm - Assessment Workshops for Parents



ENGLISH

Next week in English, we will be linking our learning to our new topic. As part of our focus on classical history, we will be studying Roman and Greek Myths and Legends. Starting with familiar Greek myths, we will be developing our reading, speaking and listening and drama skills. We will be reading the story of Persephone, of Icarus and Pandora's Box. We will be making comparisons between the texts, and comparing different versions of the same story. This will include a focus on author's choices of language, style and sentence structure to portray meaning. We will also be exploring character work, through role play, hot seating, improvisation and group work. We will be working in collaborative groups to unpick and distinguish character motives and behaviours.



MATHEMATICS

Next week in Mathematics, we are going to focus on multiplicative reasoning as this is an area the children need to further consolidate. We will be learning about different types of numbers such as prime numbers, square numbers, multiples and factors. Then the children will be consolidating their written methods for multiplication and division, before applying them to a range of measure problems. In our starter activities we are going to recap on time, multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 and also solving and balancing equations. At the end of the week, we will be reviewing our Mental Maths knowledge and focusing on a range of strategies we can apply quickly.



TOPIC

Next week in Topic, we will be finishing our work on biology and classification with an in-class Exit Point, where we will summarise what we know. We will also be completing and evaluating our designs for our compost bin DT projects.

After that, we will begin our new IPC unit, 'The Great, The Bold and The Brave'. This topic is primarily a history focused topic, studying the classical periods of the Romans and the Greeks, and will run until the end of term. We will start by sharing our prior knowledge and asking questions in the Knowledge Harvest. We will then develop our historical investigation skills, by finding out about the past using a range of sources. We will look at and compare the geography of modern Greece with Ancient Greece, and begin to familiarise ourselves with the names of significant people and places in Ancient Greece.