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Year 5 topic
The great, the bold and the brave

Dear Parents,

As you may know, we are about to start our next topic 'The great, the bold and the brave!'

This unit of work includes a variety of subject areas including History, Music, Art and Internationalism. Below you can find a breakdown of what we will be doing as part of our unit.

In History, we'll be:

- Finding out about the Greek city-states of Athens and Sparta
- Exploring the political systems in Athens and Sparta
- Finding out about the Persian Wars and their impact on Greece
- Learning about Athenian life by studying the Parthenon
- Finding out about the origins of the Olympic Games
- Planning and performing our own Greek play
- Finding out about Alexander the Great
- Discovering why Rome had a republic and then an emperor
- Finding out about daily life in Ancient Rome
- Exploring the impact of Roman invasion on another country
- Understanding the cause and effect of the fall of the Roman Empire
- Learning about people and culture through archaeological evidence
- Performing a case-study of Britain, from Roman occupation to the Norman Conquest

In Music, we'll be:

- Learning about the role of the Greek chorus and writing our own songs

In Art, we'll be:

- Finding out about Ancient Greek and Roman art
- Creating our own piece of art in a Greek or Roman style

In International, we'll be:

- Finding out about the effects of invasion on countries around the world

All of the work we are going to do has been specially written to help your child reach the IPC learning goals. Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, working on their own and working in groups. We will be checking to see how well your child has learned through particular activities and asking children to explain their work, perhaps to you.

We already know the interest you take in your child's work. If you can, please discuss with your child the work they have done as the term progresses and let them teach you.



If your child has some work to research, please help them, but without actually doing the work. If you have the chance to further their interest in the ideas of this theme please take it, but your enthusiasm and interest is most important.

By the end of the unit, we hope your child has achieved all of the learning targets. We hope they have had an enjoyable time in the classroom. And we hope you have enjoyed seeing your child work with enthusiasm. If you have any comments about the work your child has done, please get in touch.

Kind regards

The Year 5 Team