English Martyrs' RC Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term our main topic is the **ANCIENT GREEKS.** Where possible, all of your child's learning will be linked to this theme. This curriculum overview gives an outline of the areas of learning we intend to cover in Autumn Term 2 (Nov-Dec). A copy of this document can also be found on our website. **PE lessons** continue to take place on **FRIDAYS. Please note** that the PE uniform is a **plain black** or **navy** tracksuit with a **plain white** T-shirt and the normal **school jumper**. Homework will be set every **MONDAY** on paper.

Ms Rossi and Mrs Sampong *– Class Teachers*



Year Five
ANCIENT GREEKS
Autumn Term 2

MATHS



In our Maths learning this term, we will start off with building on our percentages knowledge from Year 4 and we will learn how to find percentages of amounts. We will then consolidate our understanding of telling the time by applying this skill to reading timetables. Alongside this learning, we will continuously review our addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills. At the end of the term, we will return to geometry and position and direction.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



In RE we will be learning about **JUDAISM** as part of Other Faiths Week. We will then be learning about God's Covenants in the Old Testament and we will explore God's New Covenant with us, and how God guides and challenges his people.

HISTORY - GEOGRAPHY



Our topic this half term is **Ancient Greece** and we will develop our historical thinking firstly by examining how the geography of the Greek islands affected their history, before learning to think like an archaeologist. Finally, we will debate whether Athens or Sparta was the strongest kingdom.

MUSIC

This half term, we will be learning about traditional songs from around the world. We will focus on the awareness of melodic and rhythmic phrases within a song as well as **focusing on Christmas Celebrations.**

SCIENCE



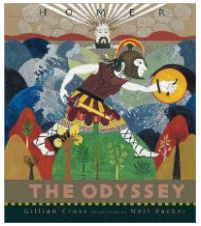
This term our topic will be learning about **EARTH AND SPACE** we will plan scientific enquiries to answer questions on the solar system and the cycles of the moon. We will record data using diagrams and labels, and

PSHE

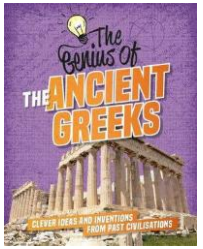
In PSHE, as well as continuing our Mindfulness curriculum with MindUp, we will also be marking Parliament Week and Anti-Bullying Week. We will also be continuing with our financial awareness learning with LifeSavers.

LifeSavers
Helping children manage money wisely

WRITING AND READING



In Writing this term, we will be inspired by Gillian Cross' retelling of The Odyssey, which is an epic adventure poem, involving many battles and monsters! As we build up to writing our own epic adventure story at the end of the term, we will write persuasive speeches, diary entries and dialogue.



We will be focusing on adverbials of manner, abstract nouns, prepositions, the correct punctuation of dialogue, parenthesis and powerful verbs. In Reading, we will start the term off with a nonfiction text called 'The Genius of Ancient Greece' and then will read 'The Odyssey' in our Destination Reader lessons.

COMPUTING

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In Computing, we will continue to use PurpleMash as our platform for developing our word processing and database skills.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY



In DT this term, we will be designing and creating our very own orrery to show the orbit of the Moon, Earth and Sun. This will link with our science learning this term and with our learning about forces last term.

SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION



This term in PE, we will be developing a range of multi-skills and coordination as well as developing our fitness and applying to games such as football.