# Who Let the Gods Out? Cotswold Class Year 4 Autumn Term 2023

Children will take a trip back to one of the most fascinating civilisations in history as they discover Ancient Greece and all it had to offer.

### **English**

All children will be involved in daily shared / guided reading sessions as well as reading as a class every day. Our class texts will be Who Let the Gods Out? and Night Bus Hero.



Our learning will be based around our class texts. We will use these to create our own Greek myths and develop a profile of a modernday Greek god.

From the research we complete in topic lessons, we will create information texts, including writing and designing our own travel guides to Ancient Greece.

We will create our own poems using **Great Greeks** for inspiration.

We will work on spelling rules and strategies and continue to learn the words stipulated in the National Curriculum spelling lists for Years 3 & 4.

We follow the Year 4 Grammar syllabus.

#### Maths

Place Value: Counting in a range of multiples, counting through zero, rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000, reading Roman numerals, ordering and comparing numbers beyond 1000.

#### Roman Numerals

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Addition & Subtraction: Add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits, estimate and use inverse operations, solve addition and subtraction 2 step problems.

**Multiplication & Division:** Recall and use multiplication and division facts for tables up to 12.

**Statistics:** Bar charts, pictograms and tables.

**Geometry:** Shape – 3D shapes and nets.

#### PF

Our PE days will be **Tuesday** (swimming) and Wednesday. We will start by learning hockey and football skills, improving coordination, control and fluency. The importance of teamwork and how to display good sportsmanship will also be a focus.

As **Historians**, we will learn that ancient Greeks lived in different city states and what a city state was. We will begin to understand how the city states were run with their own government, laws and army.

In **Geography**, we will identify where Greece is on a world map and maps of Europe. Using digital resources, such as Google Earth, we will revisit the location of the continents and oceans and the location of European countries in relation to one another and in relation to the United Kingdom.

In **D&T**, we will be focusing on food, learning about a healthy diet and the different food types.

As **Artists**, we will be looking at ceramics and working with clay.

In **Music**, we will learn to read and write simple musical notation.



**Science** (Enhanced using PZAZ and Explorify)

#### **Animals Including Humans**

- The Digestive System: by making model digestive systems the children will define what digestion is and why it is necessary. They will learn to correctly name the significant parts and describe their functions.
- Teeth: The children will name the different types of teeth in humans. They will
  describe the functions of each tooth type with reference to the tooth's shape
  and discuss problems that may arise from not brushing teeth regularly.
- **Food Chains:** we will be classifying organisms as producers, predators or prey. From information we will be constructing and interpreting food chains.

Throughout this unit the children will work scientifically by observing over time, pattern seeking, identifying, classifying and grouping, comparative and fair testing and carrying out research using secondary resources.

#### **PSHE/SCARF**

Our values this term are:

## Friendship and Thankfulness.

We will begin the term by creating our own set of classroom rules. We will be looking at our relationships with others and valuing difference.

SCARF - Me and my relationships / Valuing Difference.

#### Spanish

This term, we are continuing to learn Spanish. We will be learning the days of the week and months of the year.

#### Computing

Our key question this term is:

How do we produce a podcast?
 We will also be looking at how to stay safe online.

This term our key questions are:

- Do Christians have to take communion?
- Is light a good symbol of celebration?