

Attenborough Class Newsletter

Autumn 1 - 2020

It is great to finally see you all back after these very extraordinary circumstances! I hope you are all well and are glad to be back.



Topic - History - Ancient Greece

In our Topic this term we will be learning about Ancient Greece. The children will be looking at where Ancient Greece sits on a timeline in comparison to other eras they have looked at previously. They will look at Ancient Greek artefacts and identify similarities and differences between life then and life now.

PDL/Circle Time

This half term we will be looking at rights and respect. They will be looking at respecting themselves, different communities and groups, as well as the importance of their behaviours and actions.



Maths

In Maths this half term we will be ensuring that our place value understanding is secure and making sure that any gaps in learning are closed to help deepen understanding further. We will be working on ordering and comparing numbers, including large numbers over 1,000,000 as well as decimal numbers to 2 decimal places. In addition to this, we will be securing our understanding of calculations using whole numbers, decimals and fractions.

Home Learning

Home learning tasks will be set on a Wednesday to be completed by the following Monday. These will be online this year by using Purple Mash and My Maths. Please continue to read at home whenever possible and remember to sign your child's Reading Record so we can keep track of how often they are reading and they can be rewarded for this.

PE and Games

Games will still be on a Wednesday afternoon with Mr Holmes our sports coach. Black tracksuit bottoms may be worn outside during the colder weather. PE will be gymnastics this half term. We will be looking at making more complex and extended sequences, combining these with actions, balances and shapes. The children will be comparing and commenting on skills, techniques and ideas that they and others have used.

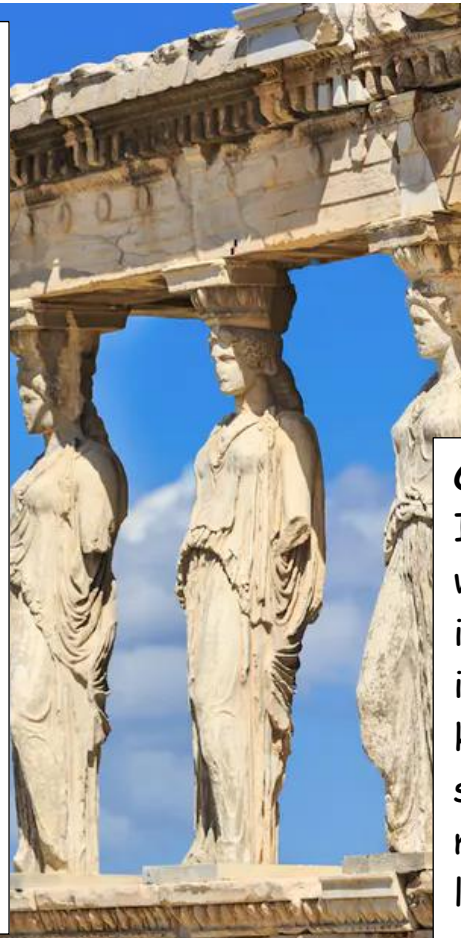
Modern Foreign Languages

We will be continuing our French learning this term. We will be looking at the high street - the different buildings as well as occupations. There will be revision of days of the week and months of the year, as well as times of the day and particular classroom objects.

English

In English this half term we will be looking at a range of texts to base our work on. We will be getting back into writing and the creativity of it by becoming enthused and writing for a range of different purposes. To start this half term, we will be looking at the music video, Titanium by David Guetta, where the children will be then writing their own police reports based on the events that happen within the video.

We will also be learning new spelling rules each week, along with re-visiting those previously taught and continually working on our grammar. Grammar will be taught within English lessons as well as in separate session as morning activities and afternoon sessions.



Music

In Music this term we will have Listen to Me from Hampshire Music Service. The children will be looking at African percussion and be working with a range of instruments to compose and perform.

Computing

In computing this half term the children will be learning about communicating information securely through an introduction to cryptology (the science of keeping communication and information secret). They will investigate early methods of communicating over distances, learn about two early ciphers, and consider what makes a secure password.