

# Curriculum Newsletter

**YEAR 4** | Autumn Term 2 | 2023



**Dear Families,  
Dear Parents and Carers,**

***Thank you for all of your support so far this term. The children have settled nicely into their new year groups and are working hard. The children will begin some interesting topics. Please see below for details about what children will learn and ways in which you can support your child at home. Science and Geography coverage is outlined on the attached 'Knowledge Organisers'.***

**This half term, our topic is Greece and we will be focussing our learning around the key question, 'Where is Greece and what is it like?'**

## **Our 'Stunning Start' to launch our topic will be:**

Orienteering-based quiz,  
collecting letters to spell out the  
word 'Hemisphere'

Food tasting of different  
European foods.

## **We will enhance children's learning and 'Cultural Capital' with the following virtual experiences, websites and texts:**

- If you have experienced life in a different European country and you are happy to share any experiences or resources, please let your class teacher know.

## **Our 'Showcase' piece of work at the end of the topic will be:**

A travel brochure which we will send to various travel companies.

## **Our 'Shared Outcome' to communicate our learning with others (in a socially distanced way) will be:**

Our travel brochures will be shared on SeeSaw.



## Here is a breakdown of the skills and knowledge to be covered in each subject through this topic:

### English:

#### Key text:

- Peril in Paris by Katherine Woodfine

#### -Key skills:

- Acrostic Poems
- Rhyming Couplets
- Descriptive techniques
- Diary entries
- Grammar, punctuation, spelling
- Comprehension

### Maths:

#### Key topics:

- Adding and Subtracting (column method)
- Multiplication (written method)
- Length and Perimeter

### Science:

In science we will be learning about sound. We will look at how sound is made and how volume and distance can affect it.

**Computing:** We will be using Adobe Spark to create adverts about a European country of choice.

### Useful websites and texts to support learning in this topic:

**TTRockstars**

**topmarks.co.uk – Daily 10**

**Google Earth**

**Geography:** The children will recap their knowledge about the seven continents, then learn about the major countries in Europe. They will then learn about the capital cities – what they purpose of a capital is, and the names of the main capital cities in Europe. The children will take a deep dive into Greece, learning about the physical and human characteristics of the country, why people have migrated there and about daily life.

**RE:** The children will learn about what Christians believe in the build up to Christmas.

**DT:** Our topic will be 'edible Gardens' and we will be using tomatoes to make a healthy meal.

**PE:** Outdoor PE will focus on dynamic balancing and ball skills: Indoor PE will focus on our first gymnastics module.

**Music:** We will use Charanga to support our learning of beat, rhythm, pitch and tempo. We will also review a song and artist/group each week.

**PSHE:** The children will be starting a module where we celebrate people's differences.

**French:** The children will learn to talk about their hobbies and tell the time in French.

### Reminders:

PE Days are on a Monday and Friday where the children should come into school in their PE kits.

