

Our English Learning

Children will continue to engage with poetry, fiction and non-fiction texts this half-term.

Linked with our fiction text, 'Varmints' children will write diaries in role as characters from the story.

Children will practise:

- Increasing the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting.
- Increasing their reading fluency to ensure they are adept enough to process and tackle Y4 texts with confidence.

You could help your child with their English learning by:

- Reading with them every night and signing their Reading Record.
- Practise their spellings and checking their ability to spell the Year 3 and Year 4 words.

In RE:

We will be learning about and exploring the question: Why do Christians call the day that Jesus died 'Good Friday'?



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Our Mathematics Learning

The title of our current History unit is **What can we learn from Ancient Greece?**

Children will explore aspects of Ancient Greece, including exploring the following questions:

- Who were the Ancient Greeks?
- What do the artefacts tell us about life in Ancient Greece?
- What do archaeological sites tell us about life in Ancient Greece?
- What are the similarities between our school and schools in Ancient Greece?
- How were the Ancient Greeks governed and how is that similar to how we are governed today?

You could help your child with their History learning by researching, through books or the internet, the location of Ancient Greece and what we can learn about life in Ancient Greece from the artefacts left behind.

Other news & updates about our class:

- We will be continuing to learn to play the ukulele; these whole-class lessons are delivered by an expert and are free of charge.
- PE will be held on a Tuesday and a Thursday and PE kit comprises: white t-shirt, black shorts or leggings and trainers or pumps.

No question is too small; please pop in and see me if you have any questions about how you can help at home.

This half-term we will be working...

- To describe translations of polygons drawn on a square grid.
- To draw polygons specified by translations.
- To mark the position of points in the first quadrant and to translate polygons in the first quadrant.

You could help your child with their Maths learning by:

- Practising times tables.
- By the end of Year 4, the majority of children should know their times tables up to 12x12, in order, out of order and division facts.
- You can practice the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) on [urbrainy.com](https://www.urbrainy.com).

In Science we will be continuing to learn about Sound. We will:

- Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating.
- Recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases.