

Upper Junior Curriculum Newsletter



Autumn Term
2016

The Autumn edition of our newsletter is here to provide you with information about some of the topics and areas of study that we will be covering this term.

Parents - Please help, support and encourage your children in their learning by familiarising yourselves with the Homework Timetable.

Children - Make sure you make your last year at Mickleover Primary School the best yet!!!

Numeracy - we will be thinking hard about place value whilst continuing to develop our skills across the four number operations; apply our knowledge to a range of problems; and build on our mathematical understanding.



Our topic for this Half-Term is 'It's All Greek to Me!!' Although this is a **History** based topic we will be looking at the **geographical** features of the country Eg. Where is Greece?

The focus of our work will be on what legacies the Ancient Greeks have left and what impact those legacies have on our lives in 2016. Our **Literacy** work will focus on Greek myths and tales.

Our **Art** and **Design Technology** will link with our Topic work as we study Greek pots and vases. (Make sure your art aprons are in school ready - things are likely to get messy!) After Half Term we will be looking at food and farming and hopefully experimenting with some recipe ideas.



In **Computing** we will be considering how we can keep safe when 'online' and developing our word processing skills. This will lead to work on more ambitious projects throughout the year. We will continue to use the class netbooks for research in all areas of the curriculum.

In **Science** we will be studying our origins in our Evolution and Inheritance topic. Hopefully your child will be bursting to tell you what they have learnt.





Our **RE** lessons will provide lots of opportunity for drama and role play as we explore the theme of temptation.



In **Music** we plan to learn some new songs that might involve accompanying hand actions and other body movements.

PHSE, PE and **Games** will also be timetabled on a weekly basis.

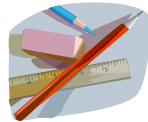
We will be thinking back to the **French** we have already been taught as we continue to build up vocabulary and

conversation skills,



And finally...

- Please ensure that **homework** is completed and returned on time. Also, make sure you learn your **spellings** for weekly spelling tests and apply strategies we talk about in class. Your homework diary will help you to organise your time and know what needs doing when!



- **Remember** to have suitable kit for outdoor games sessions every Tuesday. (It is always a good idea to check the weather forecast to think about extra layers.)
- **Please** make sure that you have a **working pen, pencil, ruler, rubber** and **whiteboard pen** for each lesson.
- The role of **prefect** should be taken seriously. Check the timetable to see when it is your turn. 6H will be helping the school run efficiently before Half Term and 6MH after the October break

Dates for your Diary:

Parents' Evening -
Tuesday October 20th
Thursday October 22nd

Cycling Proficiency
6H w/c 21st November
6MH w/c 28th November

Week Beginning
8th May - SATs

Advance warning: We hope to have an in-school Greek day to conclude our topic, so have a hunt for any old sheets that you can adapt. More details will follow.

