

### Our PE this Half Term

PE for Year 5 is moving to a **Wednesday** this half term due to some exciting Art we will be having on a Thursday afternoon! Please can the children come to school dressed in their PE Kit on Wednesday's. This half term's focus will be cricket. The weather is still unpredictable so please be sure to send your children in warm clothes and ensure they have a water bottle on this day.

### Our RE this Half Term

Our concept this half term is Justice. We will be applying this concept in the context of our own lives thinking of examples of justice and injustice as well as looking at it in the context of Islam and Christianity. We will be using the Bible story of Jonah and the Whale as well as the Islamic 'Justice for all'.

### How can you help at home?

**Reading** - Reading unlocks everything around your children - it is so important that children have an understanding of what they have read as well as being able to read individual words. To support, try asking your child to summarise what they have read independently. Our expectation is that pupils are to read at home **at least three times a week** and that these reads are recorded on the Go Read app.

**Maths** - Race your child to see who can answer multiplication facts quickest or try using problem solving questions to do with money (when shopping) or measurements (when cooking).

**Writing** - Ask your children the skills that they have been developing in Speedy SPaG (our daily routine) and encourage them to show off these skills in their written homework.

**Homework** - Homework will be set on a Tuesday and is due on the following Tuesday. As always, best presentation is expected.

## Dates for your Diary

**W/C Monday 14th March 2022 - British Science Week.**

**Tues 15th/Wed 16th March 2022 - Parents' Evenings.**

**Mon 4th April 2022 - Year 5 Alex Rider Overnight Trip.**

**Fri 8th April 2022 - Early closing at 1.00pm.**

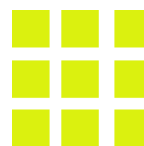
**Mon 11th April - Fri 22nd April 2022 - EASTER BREAK.**

**Fri 27th May 2022 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

**Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd June 2022 - HALF TERM.**

**Fri 17th June 2022 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

**Fri 22nd July 2022 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.**



# Nine Acres Primary School

## Spring Term 2 2022

### Year 5 Team

Miss Moseley



Mrs Tingle



Miss Shobbrook



Mrs Winter



### Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the second half of the Spring term! We cannot believe that the children are now half way through Year 5! Where does the time go?

In History, we are travelling back in time to experience the Ancient Greek way of life and how we can still feel their impact today!

We have been working hard on our independent writing which we chose to write inspired either by a short animated film or a biography of a fictional fairground inventor. It was great to see how much more detail they could now write in and how far so many of their handwriting has come since September! Do look out for these pieces in their English books when you join us for Parents' Evening!

It is so important that we have those conversations around how we can best support your child so if the timings do not work please contact Miss Shobbrook or Mrs Tingle who would be delighted to organise a time that would be convenient for you.

With thanks,  
The Year 5 Team.



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**'Striving for Excellence'**





# Year 5 - Spring Term 2 2022 - Ancient Greeks



## Key Vocabulary

**Aristotle** - an ancient Greek philosopher and student of Plato who wrote more than 170 books.

**Hippocrates** - an ancient Greek doctor who is often called "the father of modern medicine".

**Mercenary** - a hired soldier.

**Myth** - a traditional story that may include gods and goddesses and often tries to explain events in nature.

**Zeus** - king of the Gods, lightning & thunder.

**Hera** - goddess of family and wife of Zeus.

**Poseidon** - god of the sea.

**Demeter** - goddess of the Earth and harvest.

**Athena** - goddess of wisdom and war.

**Hermes** - god of speed.

**Hades** - god of the underworld.



## Key History Skills



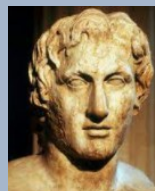
**Chronological understanding** - As a comparison, we will be identifying the similarities and differences between the religious beliefs of the civilisations we have studied this year: Egyptian and Greek.



**Source analysis and interpretation** - With a firm understanding of the difference between primary and secondary sources, we will now consider sources individual usefulness and how they must be regarded with caution.

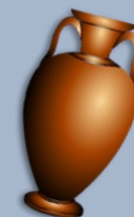


**Enquiry** - We will consider the impact of Alexander the Great on the ancient Greek civilisation before considering why there is no evidence of the Greeks on the Isle of Wight (unlike our Roman learning in Year 4).



## Surprising facts about Alexander the Great

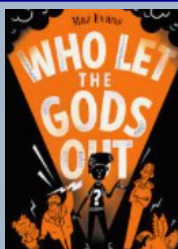
- He was taught by Aristotle (Greek philosopher) but had famous run-ins with other philosophers.
- In 15 years of conquest Alexander never lost a battle and his military tactics and strategies are still studied today.
- He named more than seventy cities after himself - and one after his horse (Bucephala). These were cities built to celebrate his victories in battle.
- When Alexander met his future wife, it was love at first sight. They had one child - a son - called Alexander IV.
- Much like Tutankhamun, the cause of Alexander's death remains one of the greatest mysteries of the ancient world.
- Historians are unsure if there are any links to the Egyptians, but it is reported that after his death, his body was preserved in a vat of honey.



## Our English this half term!

What would the world come to if the Greek God of death - Thanatos - was released from his prison under Stonehenge? That's what Elliot, the hero of our text this half term, and his zodiac friend Virgo are trying to stop. Amid all this chaos, we will be writing with the purposes of inform, persuade and to explain this half term.

We will be building upon our grammatical knowledge by learning to use a dash for extra information and high level prepositions. As we develop as writers, we will look to how we can use cohesive devices both within and between paragraphs in our extended writing.



## Our Maths this half term!

Would you rather a half or 3/5 of a bar of chocolate? This half term, our focus is fractions! We will be working on finding equivalent fractions, converting between improper fractions and mixed numbers, ordering them, adding and subtracting and even multiplying them! There are some helpful videos on the White Rose website which can be viewed for free and may help if your child needs homework support or wants more practice. Please speak to someone from the Year 5 team who would be happy to show you where these are if you feel they would be supportive.

