

**Force and Magnets** - The children will be identifying pushes and pulls as forces and explore how things move on different surfaces. They will find out about attraction and repulsion by magnetic forces and which materials are magnetic. We will also look at compasses and uses of magnets. Finally we will carry out some enquiries using magnets.

### **Camping – 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June**

There will be lots to do before, during and after our trip.

### **Meet the Greeks**

This theme is centred on the Ancient Greeks. The children will be finding out where Greece is and its main cities, who the Ancient Greeks were and how we use Ancient Greek ideas today. They will learn about Greek Myths and Legends, the Olympics, Greek Gods, Greek Believers and Thinkers, Greek Fighters and Leaders and what life was like for the average Ancient Greek.



Cubington CE Primary School  
Year 4 - Summer Term 2018  
**Meet the Greeks**  
**Overnight Camping Experience**  
**Forces and Magnets**

### **PSHE**

21-24 May - Spring Fever

### **RE**

How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?

Do people need to go the church to show they are Christians?

**PE** – Summer 1 -Monday afternoons – Athletics; Wednesday afternoons – Cricket

Summer 2 – Tennis and Boxercise

Cricket Tournament, Hunningham Cricket Club – 9<sup>th</sup> May

Quad Kids, Edmondscote Athletics Track – 10<sup>th</sup> May

### **Computing and DT**

Finishing off our Healthy Eating Jingles. Creating an Ancient Greek wiki.

Designing, making and evaluating Greek Tragedy masks out of modroc and clay pots.

### **French**

This term's topic is 'Our School'. Children will learn key words and phrases around the theme of school.

### **Other information**

Camping Meeting for Parents - 8<sup>th</sup> May  
Sharing Assembly – 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Life Education Caravan – 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Visit to St Mary's Church - tbc

**Music** – Lean on Me  
Reflect, rewind and replay

## Literacy

**Myths and Legends** – Children will read and listen to a number of Greek Myths and Legends, identifying their key features and will then writing their own myth complete with hero, mythical creature and gods.

**Persuasive texts** – Children will investigate persuasive writing devices in a variety of magazine and TV adverts.

**Playscripts** - Children will look closely at playscript features and stage directions to develop characters and setting. Finally the children will create scenes based on events from an Aesop's Fable.

### Spelling strategies

- writing words in different styles and colours
- turning words into pictures
- creating diamonds
- boxing up letters to remember shape of the word

### Grammar and Punctuation

- Fronted adverbial phrases
- Possessive Apostrophes (Jane's book)
- Contractions (do + not = don't)
- Regular and Irregular Past Tense Verbs
- Prepositions
- Paragraphs

**Guided Reading** – Reading a range of texts including Greek Myths, Legends and Aesop's Fables.

### Accelerated Reader

The children are now very familiar with the Accelerated Reader scheme. They choose books from the School Library according to their reading band to read at home. When they finish the book they take an Accelerated Reader test on line to check their understanding of the text. They get points towards their individual targets. When they reach their targets they are awarded a certificate.

## Numeracy

This is a list of the topics covered in Year 4 during the Summer term. They will be taught in roughly this order:

- Compare negative numbers in the context of temperature
- Coordinates
- Add and subtract fractions
- Calculate and compare the area of rectangles and squares.
- Line Graphs
- Read and write decimal numbers to 2 decimal places in the context of money.
- Round 1- and 2-place decimals up and down to the nearest whole number.
- Learn the  $\times 11$  and  $\times 12$  tables.
- Recognise and identify 3D shapes.

### Home Learning..... How you can help

A big thank you, for the help and support you gave your children with their Home Learning last term, particularly with the Zoo Keeper Thematic Home Learning.

Over this term the children will receive further home learning tasks. Your child will receive a weekly online maths task for the first half of the term; this will be a consolidation of the basic number skills or ongoing work covered in class. Next Half term they will have written work to complete in their blue Maths Home Learning books. Maths Home Learning is given out on a Friday to be completed by the following Thursday.

They will also have a weekly English task to be completed in their red English Home Learning Book that will be given out on a Wednesday to be handed in by Tuesday.

Each child will have spellings to learn every week to be tested on a Monday. Children will have a practice booklet to use at home which uses the Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check method.

Finally they will receive Home Learning tasks based on our themes for this term. The children will be given an introduction to those tasks and the letter home will include the requested hand in date.

### Times tables

We will continue to work on tables this term and all children will have opportunities to gain bronze, silver and gold stickers. Please help your child to work on these regularly.