

# FRIZINGHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 3 will start this year with our first historical theme, which is called 'The Ancient Greek Legacy'. In this theme, we will focus on history, geography, art and music.

In English, we will be reading Greek myths to help us write a Beat the Baddie story. We will use drama to help understand characters and settings.

We will then move into geography where we will be locating countries, seas and major cities using maps and atlases with a focus on Greece and Europe. We will also learn about human and physical geography and explore the four points of a compass.

In history, we will be exploring Greek life and their achievements. Through historical enquiry we will look at the Greek influence on the western world; learn more about democracy, the origin of the Greek Olympics and many more. Children will use historical timelines to develop chronology knowledge and understanding of world history with a focus on ancient Greece.

Music will be explored during this theme as children will have an opportunity to appreciate music from the historical era we will be exploring. We will use The Bradford Music platform (Charanga) in our lessons.

In oracy and dialogic talk sessions, we will learn to use language to consider and evaluate different viewpoints. We will be giving well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes and we will be using the language of explanation. We will use our talk rules during our discussions.

For art, children will learn to record observations into their sketching books before moving into making pottery using clay. They will be using their sketching skills to create intricate drawings shown on ancient Greek pots like the hydria or the amphora.

As part of our passport activities we will be taking part in a Greek banquet, compete in a sports competition, create a mosaic, visit a museum and many more exciting experiences.

In PHSE, children will be exploring the topic of 'Me and my relationships', where they will learn that people live within different settings and relationships.



In R.E, the children will be learning through the topic of 'How do Jews remember God's covenant with Abraham and Moses' They will investigate the beliefs and practices of religions and other worldviews and we will visit the Tree of Life Synagogue.

In computing, they will be exploring self-image and identity as part of their online safety lessons; they will be able to explain what is meant by the term 'identity' and how people can represent themselves in different ways online. They will also learn about spreadsheets.

Finally, in French, they will practise their vocabulary using the teaching tool, La Jolie Ronde. They will learn about numbers and also some greetings in French.

### **Helping at home:**

As well as ensuring that your child completes their weekly homework, you could:

- Research Greek history through time using the websites listed below.
- Listen to and read Greek myths and legends
- Play ancient Greece related games using the website: <https://greece.mrdonn.org/games.html>
- Access TT Rock Stars and Purple Mash at home.
- Play oracy games using Greek facts.
- Research ancient Greece at your local library.
- Visit the Royal Armouries in Leeds.

Websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z87tn39>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/greek-life-and-culture>

<https://greece.mrdonn.org/games.html>

