



Opal Class Newsletter



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We hope you had a **spooktacular** break and are now feeling ready for the busy term ahead. We are here to help and support you and your child in any way that we can, so if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

P.E is on Monday afternoons.

Please could you ensure your child has their P.E kit in school and that it is appropriate for the weather; we will go outside come rain or shine! **Please remove earrings on these days.**



Curriculum Information

English: We will be travelling back through the mists of time to Ancient Greece, where we will be reading, performing and writing Greek myths. We will also be researching the life and times of the Ancient Greeks and creating our own information texts for others to read and enjoy.



Maths: The children will be revising their knowledge of shape and space, time and fractions.

Science: How do objects move? What affects the speed at which something can move? We will be investigating these questions and many more during this term's topic on forces.

PE: This term, we will be honing our netball skills as well as creating our own line dance moves, to music in the hall.

Art: We will be studying the significance of pottery in Ancient Greece and creating our own pots using clay and other tools.

Topic: As previously mentioned, we will become time travellers- exploring the Ancient Greeks and investigating ways in which their lifestyle still influences ours today.

*** We will continue to give the children an extra boost in their Literacy and Maths. With the help of Mrs Tiller and Mrs Streatfield, we will be carrying out lots of fun Maths, Spelling and SPaG activities on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.***

Term 2 Events:

31st October- Halloween disco.
1st November- Greek Day.
6th & 7th November- parent evenings.
13th November- Pyjama party.
27th November- Trust day - school closed
28th November- Poppy workshop.
8th December- Christmas Fair.
11th- 14th December- Book Fair.
19th December- Carol Concert.
20th December- End of Term 2.

Please look out for other events, not listed above, on the Weekly WhatSAP.

How can you help at home?

- ◆ Times tables
- ◆ Practical maths: telling the time, measuring etc.
- ◆ Reading: books, comics, recipes, graphic novels etc.
- ◆ Spelling games
- ◆ Playing board games



Water bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. **This should contain water only,**



Reading at home

Reading is a tricky skill to master and your child will benefit from **reading with you at home as much as possible in order to build confidence and fluency.** This includes lots of 'book talk' e.g. what the characters think and how they feel, what will happen next etc.

We hope that each child will be able to read **at least 3 times each week** and that their reading record is returned to school signed by an adult.

We will continue to reward those who read on a regular basis at home with house points, small prizes etc.



Clothing

Please continue to make sure all items of your child's clothing have their name on it. It makes it much easier to reunite children with lost clothes. This includes their PE kit. Thank you!