

## Year 5 and Year 6 curriculum letter - Autumn 2020

Welcome back to school! It has been so lovely to see all the children and they have settled in well. We have a very exciting term ahead of us. Our topic this autumn is *The Ancient Greeks*. During this fascinating topic we will be exploring a range of areas including: democracy, the Olympic games, Greek gods and heroes, the Greek alphabet etc. For more information on our curriculum, please see the accompanying learning overview.

**Ancient Greece Workshops** – On Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of October we will be having an Ancient Greek workshop run by Portals to the Past. Letters with more information went out last week- if you have not received a letter, please let us know ASAP.

**PE** We will be focussing on REAL PE and Sports skills. On their PE days, we ask that the children come to school dressed in their PE kits: white tops, school sweatshirts, dark leggings /shorts/tracksuit bottoms. Skylarks have PE on a Wednesday and a Friday; Eagles have PE on Tuesday and Thursday; Falcons have PE on Tuesday and Friday. However, trainers need to be in school every day.

**Drumming** The classes will be taking part in drumming lessons on a Friday. This will be on a rota basis so that all classes have the chance to drum during the autumn term.

**Homework** This will come home on a **Tuesday**, to be returned to school by **Friday or Monday at the latest**. Information about the homework will be on Google Classrooms as well as paper copies provided. Homework will consist of English (a reading comprehension); spellings; and Maths using MyMaths. Your child will be bringing home a letter with their login details for this. Times table work can be practised on Times Table Rock Stars (your child should already have a login for this). The children should have brought home their new reading diaries; these are designed to be used by the children themselves. Please encourage your child to read at home daily and to record their reading. The diaries will need to be in school every day and they will be gathered in regularly. Homework club will not be running this term, but we are looking to re-establish it as soon as we are able to.

**Bikeability** Bikeability sessions start for Year 6 on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> September. You will have received more information regarding these sessions this week. Please contact the office if there are any issues.

Thank you for your support during the start of term. We are all looking forward to an exciting and busy year ahead.

The Upper Key Stage 2 Team