

## YEAR 6 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 1

Welcome to Year 6! We hope that you had a wonderful summer break and feel refreshed to begin our new academic year. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us. We are really looking forward to working with you and your children this academic year



**Google Classroom** - We will be using Google Classroom frequently to share any updates or provide extra homework to support our learning in class. Please ensure your child is logging in weekly. Children in Year 6 will also be given physical homework every week which must be handed in on the following Monday.



**Topic**- Our topic for this term is Ancient Greece. We will be learning about the Ancient Greeks and their way of life, their beliefs, battles and wars and their legacy.



**English** - In English, we will be developing our writing skills through looking at an abridged version of the Ancient Greek classic 'The Odyssey' followed by a poetry unit based around the poem and documentary film, 'The Night Mail'. We will be focusing on narrative and descriptive writing. In spelling, we will be practising suffixes, prefixes and Year 5/6 exception words. We will be consolidating these through handwriting (letter join). Please refer to the weekly spellings that will be sent home each Friday.



**Maths**-Our first focus of the year will be on number and place value, followed by addition and subtraction. Please keep up with the weekly homework.

**Times Tables** -Children in Year 6 are expected to know their 1-12 times tables and to be fluent in doing so. We would therefore encourage you to do as much practice as you can with times tables at home. Times Tables Rockstars is a great programme to help with this - please use it regularly.



**Science**- In Science, we will be introducing the topic of 'Light', with a focus on investigation and recording and analysing data.

**PE**- Your child will have two PE sessions per week. This half term, the focus will be football and basketball. Please see the days and times below:

**6CS and 6MV** will both have their PE lessons on **Monday and Wednesdays**.

**Please make sure your child has their PE kit on the correct day.**

We are looking forward to a great year ahead. Thank you for your continued support.

Melissa, Carolina and the Year Six team