

Sycamores Class (Year 4 And Year 5)

The Sycamores are going to start the new school year off with a Greek adventure. Our topic will be investigating Greece and the Ancient Greeks; finding out why they were such an important influence on the western world and the legacy of their culture on the Britain of today. We will be reading and writing about Ancient Greek myths, gods and legends; learning about great battles and heroes. We will be creating our own Greek artefacts and creating our own Ancient Greek museum.

In English we will be reading, 'Who let the Gods Out' as well as lots of Greek Myths which will influence our writing. We will also be getting technical with our grammar and punctuation; answering questions like: What is a sentence? What are the different parts of a sentence? What are the different jobs of a sentence? Every day we will be practising our spellings and handwriting skills; then on Friday mornings we have a spelling/English fluency quiz.

Numeracy will be all about numbers in the number system; reading, writing, counting and ordering large digit numbers, as well as knowing the value of the digit. We will use our place value knowledge to move onto addition, subtraction, division and multiplication; breaking down the different skills needed to be successful and to be able to solve multi-step problems. We will also be working on our fluency and arithmetic with daily activities to improve speed and understanding.

During Science, the Sycamores are going to take a closer look at the way humans process food. By exploring the basic parts of the digestive system and identify types of teeth, we will be able to work scientifically. We will be finding out what damages teeth and how to look after them as well as understand the special functions of the main body parts associated with the digestive system.

We will also be learning about some of the different theories explaining evolution; using the evidence to decide for ourselves what we believe.