Cotwall End Primary School

## Curriculum Newsletter Year 5 Autumn 2023

**Mrs Worrall** 

Mrs Boden

**Mrs Willis** 

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This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term;		
	English	In English all pupils will be taught in two ability groups where they will develop their skills and knowledge of spelling rules, grammar and punctuation. Both classes will have a shared texts based on The Greeks and much of our writing will revolve around the myths and Greek way of life. Reading is vitally important and we will complete guided reading activities each week. We will also focus on handwriting to improve the level of presentation.
	Maths	In Maths we will be studying place value initially, as well as the four rules of number—addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be making sure that all pupils have the opportunity to reason about numbers as well as problem solve and apply their knowledge to a range of tasks. Times tables will be taught and tested each week.
Good Topic Work	Topic	Our topic this term is Ancient Greece. We will be learning about the Persian Wars, gods and goddesses, and famous myths and legends. In addition, we will look at Greek life - past and present - including food, entertainment, culture and democracy. Geographical understanding of modern Greece will also be taught, looking at Greece within Europe and its physical geography. Our DT will be linked to The Greeks, we will be making a moveable Greek toy.
	Science	The topic for the Autumn term will be Materials and their Properties. The children will compare and group everyday materials on the basis of their properties and learn about changes of state. They will learn through practical 'hands-on' investigations where possible.
<b>t</b> ₩	_	Pupils will be encouraged to share their thoughts and views in response to what they have learnt. We will be studying the Christian and Muslim teachings of 'love one another.' through the study of extracts from the Bible and the Quran.
	Music	Our Music lessons this term, will include the children looking at traditional music from Greece, as well as exploring music from Greek films, before composing their own pieces. The children will also explore traditional Greek instruments and what they sound like.
	PSHRE	At the start of the new school year we will be focusing on relationships and discussing through P4C sessions questions such as: What is bullying? Why is it wrong? We will also be linking our learning to our school values, and discussing what are own personal values are, and who influences us.
	Computing	This term we will be building on previous knowledge of coding, and our ability to complete internet research so that we can apply what we learn into our topic. We will also make sure that we continue to emphasise the importance of e-safety to the children through a range of targeted activities.
	PE	We are very happy that Mr Whitehouse will continue to work in our team to provide us with high quality specialist teaching of sport on Fridays. The sports for this term will include tag rugby and netball. On Wednesdays, children will take part in a second P.E. lesson with their class teacher. Please ensure that children have removed their earrings, have their hair tied back, and that your child's inhaler is in school.
		Children will continue to develop their written and spoken French through our Salut! Programme. The

Additional Information: Please read regularly with your child and make sure they know their times tables as they will be tested on them regularly. Our homework for Maths will continue to be sent via My Maths. Children will be provided with their log in names and passwords. English homework will mostly be spelling or grammar based. Homework will be given out on a Thursday and will need to be handed in by Wednesday. Our P.E. days are Wednesday and Friday and so the children will need to have their P.E. kits in school ready to get changed on these days. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Language children will take part in games, songs, as well as speaking, listening and writing activities.