



# St Philip Westbrook News

Year 3 Newsletter: Friday 20th April 2018

Summer 1

Homework needs to be handed in on a Thursday.

Read 3 times a week.

Toast money should be handed in each Monday in an envelope with your child's name.

## Our Learning

This half term, our learning will focus on our history topic. The Ancient Greeks are going to be our focus as we learn about how they lived, and the myths that surrounded them.

We are going to use a variety of research skills to answer questions about this time.

Our science topic is plants. We will recap the role of each part of a flower and plant, and learn how and why plants make seeds. What plants need to survive will be our investigation this half term.

In art, we are going to make a variety of tiles, using a range of materials and print traditional Greek

patterns. We are then going to use these designs to produce clay tiles in the same style.

This half term, we begin a long maths topic on fractions which will take us into next half term. The children will learn how to write fractions, and what each digit represents. They will add and subtract fractions and compare and sequence.

In English lessons, we will use Ancient Greek myths to stimulate our writing. We will continue with our work on narrative writing to ensure that the children can plan a story with a clear plot and characters.

Our focus in reading will be comprehension. Children will retrieve facts from the texts that they are reading, but will also think about the intent of the author by looking at key vocabulary.

## PE

Gymnastics— The children will develop their skills of rolling, jumping and travelling using a variety of hand held equipment, working on the floor and on apparatus. They will also combine movements to make a sequence which will be assessed by their peers.

Cross Country Running— The children will develop their skills and stamina to complete longer distance running whilst also practising sprints and hurdles. This will help them to prepare for Sports Day.



## Ancient Greek Day:

**We are all very excited about this fun filled day of learning which will launch our topic with a wow!**

**We are going to be visited by a Spartan warrior and an Athenian lady who will teach us about their lives in Ancient Greece. We are planning to create some beautiful art work during the day which we will display on our class pages.**

The weather will be warming up, so remember to bring a water bottle to school each day.

