

## Autumn Term 2017

Curriculum Newsletter The Autumn edition of our newsletter is here to provide you with information about some of the topics and areas of study that we will be covering this term.

Upper Junior

*Parents* - Please help, support and encourage your children in their learning by familiarising yourselves with the Homework Timetable.

Children - Make sure you make your last year at Mickleover Primary School the best yet!!!

**Numeracy** - we will be thinking hard about place value whilst continuing to develop our skills across the four number operations; apply our knowledge to a range of problems; and build on our mathematical understanding.



Our topic for this Half-Term is 'It's All Greek to Me!!' Although this is a **History** based topic we will be looking at the geographical features of the country Eq. Where is Greece?

The focus of our work will be on what legacies the Ancient Greeks have left and what impact those legacies have on our lives in 2017. Our Literacy work will focus on Greek myths and tales.

Our Art and Design Technology will link with our Topic work as we study Greek pots and vases. (Make sure your art aprons are in school ready - things are likely to get messy!) After Half Term we will be looking at food and farming and hopefully experimenting with some recipe ideas.



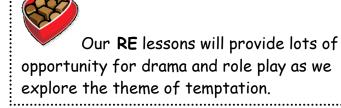
In **Computing** we will be considering how we can keep safe when 'online' and developing our efficiency with spreadsheets.

We also hope to fine-tune our knowledge of 'Word' to allow us to work on more ambitious projects throughout the year.

In **Science** we will be studying our origins in our Evolution and Inheritance topic. Hopefully your child will be bursting to



tell you what they have learnt.



We will be thinking back to the **French** we have already been taught as we continue to build up vocabulary and

conversation skills,





Later in the term, in **Music**, we will be working on group compositions – hopefully developing our confidence to perform to an audience.

PHSE, PE and Games will also be timetabled on a weekly basis.

## And finally...

• Please ensure that **homework** is completed and returned on time. Also, make sure you learn your **spellings** for weekly spelling tests and apply strategies we talk about in class. Your homework diary will help you to organise your time and know what needs doing when!



- Remember to have suitable kit for outdoor games sessions every Tuesday. (It is always a good idea to check the weather forecast to think about extra layers.)
- Please make sure that you have a <u>working</u> pen, pencil, ruler, rubber and whiteboard pen for each lesson.
- The role of prefect should be taken seriously. Check the timetable to see when it is your turn.
  6H will be helping the school run efficiently before Half Term and 6MH after the October break

## Dates for your Diary:

<u>Parents' Evening</u> -Tuesday October 17th Thursday October 19th

## <u>Cycling Proficiency</u> 6H w/c 6th November 6MH w/c 13<sup>th</sup> November

Week Beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May - SATs

Advance warning: We hope to have an inschool Greek day to conclude our topic, so have a hunt for any old sheets that you can adapt. More details will follow.

