



## Year 6 Newsletter

### Term 2

#### Swords and Sandals

##### DATES

- 01.11.21** INSET day  
(academy closed to pupils)
- 02.11.21** First day of Term 2
- 4.11.21** Swimming Session 3
- 10.11.21** Parents Evening
- 11.11.21** Parents Evening
- 11.11.21** Swimming session 3
- W/C 15.11.21** Anti-bullying week
- 25.11.21** Ancient Greek Day
- 08.12.21** Year 6 assembly
- 17.12.21** Last day of Term 2
- 03.01.21** Bank Holiday
- 4.01.21** First day of Term 3



##### REMINDERS

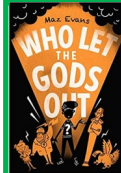
**Home Learning** will be set in the first week of term and be uploaded to Purple Mash. Pupils will aim to complete the activities to score a minimum of 20 points.

Pupils will also be bringing home two **SAT Buster** books each week with pages to complete. These pages will focus on topics taught within that week.

**PE** will continue to be on Wednesday/Friday afternoons. A plain hoody and dark plain track-suit bottoms will be useful as we approach the colder months. Please ensure your child does not bring in spray deodorant or perfume to be mindful of those in the class with respiratory conditions. Roll-on deodorants are permitted



##### ENGLISH



This term in English the pupils will be studying the text 'The Adventures of Odysseus' and 'Who Let The Gods Out?' They will use the texts to inspire their own work, beginning with a unit on story-telling. The pupils will develop skills to enable them to empathise with characters, discuss themes within the text and retell the stories with focus on description within their own exciting portal stories. After this, the pupils will write a report on the day Odysseus challenges the suitors.

We will continue to practise spellings on a weekly basis (both statutory words and spelling patterns learnt throughout the week) and carry out regular handwriting lessons.

##### MATHS

This term, pupils will be continuing work on the four operations. We will be looking at vocabulary such as factors, prime numbers and multiples. Then we will focus mainly on fractions. The term begins with simplifying, ordering and comparing fraction using their knowledge of common factors and multiples. They will then move onto adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators. The pupils will learn how to multiply and divide fractions by whole numbers and then move onto make comparisons between fractions, decimals and percentages. On Mathematics, areas to support the learning this term are located under the 'Fractions', 'Fractions Calculating' and 'Decimal and Percentages' headings.

##### WIDER CURRICULUM FOCUS

The pupils will be developing their understanding of Ancient Greece. Through research and other hands on activities, the pupils will discover fascinating facts about the Greek way of life during this time. They will have the opportunity to compare different states such as Sparta and Athens and look for similarities and differences between the two. On top of this, we will look at warfare and the tactics used in battle by the Ancient Greeks. As the unit continues, the pupils will have the opportunity to learn about clothing, trade and the incredible mythical creatures and legends of this time, as well as the legacy left behind.



The pupils will be extending their learning journey topic by exploring the artistic side of the Ancient Greeks! Pupils will learn about Greek-style clay pottery. They will research Greek vases and they will then get the opportunity to design, create and evaluate their own Greek vase based on the research

##### RE

This term, we will be exploring the importance of Jesus to Christians and the relevance that he has to their lives and their faith.

##### EVOLUTION OF ME

The pupils will be looking at safe relationships and caring friendships. These topics will involve focusing on recognising and managing pressure within a relationship and also supporting friends in difficult situations.

##### Term 1 Highlight

Year 6 became really invested and enthused about the story of Macbeth, and enjoyed lots of role play activities - they also spent time practicing for the year group assembly we hope will take place this term!

