

# Year 5

## Ancient Greece



### English

This half term the children will be looking at engaging and interesting Greek Myths. For instance, they will learn how Theseus slayed the Minotaur and other excellent stories.

We will be writing our own Greek Myth based on Theseus and the Minotaur. In keeping with the theatrical traditions of Ancient Greece, we will then move on to writing a playscript.

Our guided reading will focus on a range of texts about Ancient Greek life.

### Maths

We will be exploring place value including decimal numbers. We will also be familiarising ourselves with written methods and looking at larger numbers up to 7 digits.

We will then move on to multiplication and division. Focussing on factors and multiples.

We will be using procedural and conceptual variation to help become masters at mathematics and applying our knowledge to solve a range of problems.

### Science, Geography and History

#### Key Questions:

What is gravity?  
What cupcake case makes the best parachute?  
What makes the fastest boat?  
How do I make it stop?!?  
Who are Newton and Galileo?  
Can a small force have a big effect?

#### Science

#### History / Geography Ancient Greece

#### Key Questions:

Why was the Battle of Marathon important?  
Why were plays important?  
What was special about the Olympics?  
How has democracy influenced the western world today?  
What are the key physical features of Greece?  
What parts of the English language originate from Greece?  
What do artefacts tell us?

#### Art

We are learning about the designs which Ancient Greeks painted on their pots.

#### Technology

We will be using knowledge of levers and linkages to create a moving rocket.

#### Computing Processing and Presentation

We will be using a range of programmes to persuade and inform people of a range of important issues

#### PE

#### Outdoor Adventurous Activities and Pilates

The children will be developing their listening and teamworking skills.  
They will also be learning about mindfulness and learning how to improve their core stability, strength and balance.

#### PSHE

#### Beginning and Belonging

Children will be looking at creating a class charter and thinking about how they can work as a team.

#### RE

#### Beliefs and Actions in the World

What key beliefs influence people's faith and how do people of faith live out their lives?

#### Music

In music the children will looking at the development of rock music!

#### Languages

Children will be reviewing and revising the main core french learning from previous years.

### Learning Values

#### Aspiration

To aspire to create a moving rocket using knowledge from across the curriculum.

#### Responsibility

To take responsibility for our new classroom, environment and new routines.

#### Collaboration

Working collaboratively to design and set up experiments involving forces

#### Perseverance

To show determination when faced with difficult team building challenges.

#### Discovery

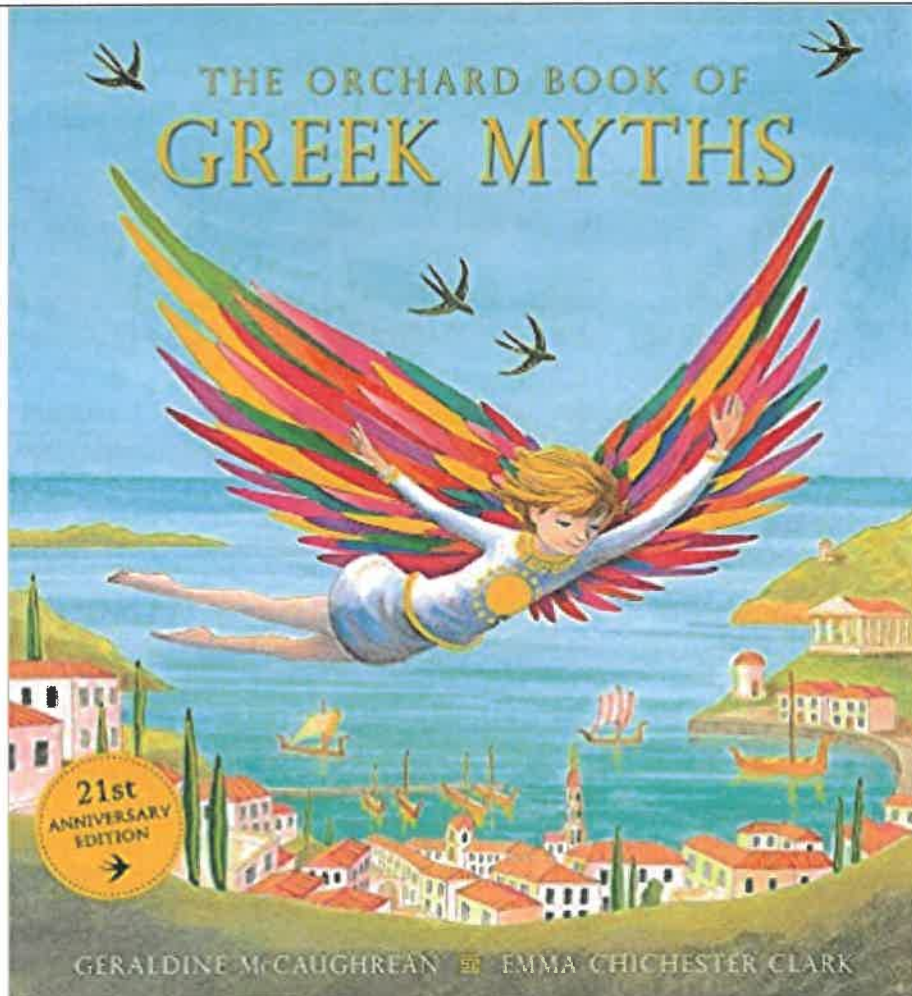
Children following their own line of questioning when researching and reading about the Ancient Greeks.

#### Growth Mindset

How can we use change to our advantage.

# The Orchard Book of Greek Myths

By Geraldine McCaughrean



Featuring all of the best-known stories, including Theseus & the Minotaur, Heracles, Daedalus & Icarus, The Wooden Horse and Pandora's Box. Retold by master storyteller, Geraldine McCaughrean, with full colour artwork throughout, this is an essential for every child's bookshelf.

**Other Recommended Reads Linked To This Theme:**

Greek Myths for Young Children by Heather Amery

A Child's Introduction to Greek Mythology by Helen Alexander.

Greek Myths by Marcia Williams.