



## Rye Community Primary School

"A Gateway to learning"



Dear Parents,

We had an excellent Term learning about the circus, and now we will be moving on to another exciting learning journey. Each Year Group will be studying a different country, and Year 3 will be learning about the Ancient Greeks.

Just a reminder that as it is the summer term, you must be providing your child with sun cream, a sun hat (if possible) and a water bottle.

### Term 6 Learning in Cuttlefish

Year 3 will be learning about life in Ancient Greece. They will find out about the Ancient Greek Gods and Goddesses; they will investigate the Ancient Olympic Games; and they will learn some Greek myths - in particular the tragic story of Daedalus the inventor and his young son, Icarus.

#### How you can help your child

You could support your child by helping them research what life was like for rich and poor people in Ancient Greece. You could ask them to find out the answers to a range of questions. What were their houses like? What did they wear? What did they like to eat? Did all children go to school? Did they have an army? You could also help your child locate Greece on an atlas, and ask them what they think the weather would have been like.

### PE

PE this term will be taught on a Thursday morning with Mr Sayer. Please ensure your child has a **named** PE kit in school for the whole week as due to the additional sport afternoon on Fridays a kit will be needed twice a week. If your child is unable to take part in PE due to medical reasons then please provide a note stating the reason on that day.

### Mathematics

This term, the children will be learning lots of new Maths concepts. They will construct 3-D shapes using nets, and they will develop their ability to describe the shapes accurately. They will then learn how to identify equivalent fractions using a range of resources and diagrams.

#### How you can help your child

- Look for opportunities to talk about Maths in the everyday environment.
- Encourage children to explain the key Maths vocabulary they have learnt during that week: eg, faces, edges, vertices, flat, solid, equivalent, fraction, divided, the same as.
- Support with any Maths homework.
- Support with learning the multiplication tables that they are working on in class (3, 4 and 8 x table).



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### English

This term, the children will be learning about the myth of Daedalus and Icarus. They will study the story in great detail, and use it as an inspiration to create their own myth. They will learn how to use a sequence of short paragraphs, and they will use a range of conjunctions to express time, place and cause. They will also have to create their own mythical beast which will feature prominently in their story.

#### How you can help your child

- Make sure your child reads daily and discuss the stories in terms of the reasons for a character's actions and reasons for author's choices of vocabulary. Don't forget to record reading sessions in the 'Greedy Reader' booklets.
- Read a selection of interesting myths to support our English topic.
- Continue to read a range of **creative stories** to enhance own story-writing.
- Discuss meanings of any new vocabulary they come across.
- Support with any English homework and spellings that they are working on in class.

### Homework

Homework and spellings will continue to be given out on Fridays. Please ensure your child is practising them regularly at home.

We are going to share some wonderful learning this term and hope you enjoy sharing this fantastic learning with your child. If you have any problems, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Miss Turton