



Enriching Learning  
Autumn Term 2024  
Rowan Class  
'Ancient Greece'



## Maths

[www.mathletics.com/signin](http://www.mathletics.com/signin)

### *Mathletics offers:*

- \*Live Mathletics – Practise mental Maths skills by competing against members of your class or children from around the world.
- \*Activities - Pick an area of Maths that you would like to improve in. Choosing the topic that the class is currently studying would be a great idea. Can you turn the topic bar gold?
- \*Skill Quests – Can you apply your knowledge to a wider range of questions?
- \*Meritopia – These special set of games can only be accessed when you have earned enough points! Can you open the door to Meritopia?

<https://trockstars.com/>

### *Times Tables Rock Stars offers:*

- \*Single player games - Use these to increase your speed, accuracy and confidence.
- \*Multiplayer games - Take on your friends, people around the world or even your teachers!
- \*Tournaments - Look out for various battles against other classes throughout the term!

Other useful websites for Maths:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/>

## Reading

This term, we expect you to read for at least 20 minutes for a minimum of three sessions per week. Make sure that you record these sessions in your reading diaries so that, when you reach a reading record milestone, you can be entered into the Reading Raffle. **Diaries will be checked every WEDNESDAY.**



## Spellings

Each week, your child will receive a sheet with their spelling pattern on and some examples of that pattern. They will also have 5 different key words to learn each week. The sheet will also include a suggestion on how to practise their spellings. Feel free to get creative in this area!

On **Friday**s, your child will be tested on 5 random words that fit the spelling pattern and the 5 key words for that week.

## Topic Focus - Ancient Greece

The following links will help you to develop your understanding of our topic this term:

[https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient\\_greece.php](https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_greece.php)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z87tn39>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Greece.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/shows/horrible-histories>

<https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/history-primary-year-5-1/units/ancient-greece-79e7/lessons>

## Homework Timetable

Below is an example of a possible timetable for homework:

Mon	Read for 20 mins
Tues	
Wed	Read for 20 mins
Thurs	Practise spellings
Fri	
Sat	Read for 20 mins
Sun	Complete homework

### English Activities:

- Which Olympic or Paralympic sport is your favourite? Write instructions on how to play it. Alternatively, you could create a new event for the Olympics. What are the rules? How do you win?
- Write a newspaper article about the battle of Troy. Who were fighting? How was a wooden horse involved?
- Draw a storyboard telling an Ancient Greek myth. You could explore a story involving Hercules, Jason or Icarus.
- Write a diary of a Spartan soldier. 'Show Me; Don't Tell Me' the emotions they felt.
- Using the words 'Ancient Greece', create an acrostic poem to share facts about the time period.
- Research a Greek island and write a postcard to someone, telling them all about your holiday there.
- The Greeks loved to perform! Write and perform your own short play. You could even make masks and props to use!

### Maths Activities:

- Conduct a survey to find out what people's favourite sport is. Present your results in a pictogram or bar chart. You could hand draw it or use Excel.
- Using travel websites, research a holiday to Greece. How will you get there? Where will you stay? What will you want to see or do? Budget how much it would cost to go on holiday with your family.
- A marathon is 26.22 miles. Calculate how many marathon distances there are between the Chesterton and Olympia, Greece.
- Compare the weather in Greece to the UK. Who has the hottest summer or the most rain?

### Topic Activities:

- Research one of the Greek Gods or Goddesses. Find out about their powers and any myths related to them. Write a fact file about them. This could be Zeus, Athena, Hades...
- The Ancient Greeks are famous for creating democracy and laws. If you could create a new law, what would it be and why?
- Choose either modern day Greece or Ancient Greece and draw a map of it. Remember to include major cities and geographical features, such as rivers and mountains.
- The Greeks loved their music. Research what types of instruments they used and build one of your own using junk model materials. You could even compose your own piece of Ancient Greek-themed music.
- Create a list or make a collage of all the things that the Ancient Greeks invented and we still have / use today.
- Research Ancient Greek monsters, then create your own monster inspired by your research. You could draw it, paint it or create a model of it.
- Take part in your own Olympic event. You could take pictures of you participating and record your results.
- Cook a traditional Greek dish. You could then write the recipe down.
- Use a computer program, such as Minecraft or Scratch, to recreate an Ancient Greek monument or make an Ancient Greek themed game.
- Create an Ancient Greek-themed board or card game. Then, teach friends or family members how to play.

The above is a suggested list of ideas. If you would like to carry out your own project, we would be excited to see it. Homework should be handed in every Monday.