



Curriculum Newsletter

Year **3** Term 4 2020/21

Hello everyone, this newsletter aims to give you an overview of the exciting learning we have planned for Term 4. We cannot wait to see you all together in the classroom after this period of remote learning. We have been so proud of all of our families for the way you have approached and tackled the situation and we now look forward to continuing your amazing learning in school, together.

A few reminders for the term ahead:

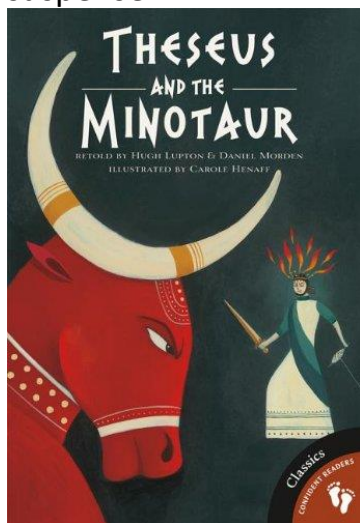
- We ask that children come to school in their full school uniform. Please refer to our school website for further information on this - <https://www.themanorcofeprimary.org.uk/school-uniform>
- Children should also wear black, appropriate footwear to school. We do not permit children wearing heels or open-toed shoes for safety reasons.
- We also ask that children do not come to school wearing any jewellery or with their hair dyed.

We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child's lunch box or as a break time snack.

We would also like to reiterate that we encourage our KS2 children to bring in a **healthy snack** from home to have at break time. **This may include a piece of fruit or a cereal bar.** Other snacks (such as crisps, biscuits and chocolate) are only to be eaten at lunch time if they are brought in at all. Thank you.

English

In English this term, we will be looking at the Greek myth Theseus and the Minotaur. We will be exploring the use of language to create atmosphere that fill the reader with suspense.



We kindly ask that you read with your children at least 5 times a week. We ensure an adult reads with your child as often as possible in school but it is crucial that your child practises at home as well to develop their fluency, intonation and comprehension. We ask that you continue to maintain a reading record for use at home and we will be sending home notes to you to keep you informed of your child's reading progress.

We will continue to quarantine your child's reading books when they are brought back into school.

Topic Subjects

Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is **"It's the sound of the Greeks"**

It's an extremely exciting topic where we will be learning all about the Ancient Greeks. We will be exploring similarities and differences between the Greeks as us. We will be focussing on their spirituality and their impact on democracy. In science this term, we will be looking at sound. We will be developing our understanding of the ear and how sound travels. Please refer to your child's **It's the sound of the Greeks** knowledge organiser to better understand what your child is learning about in school.

Term 2 Reading Spine

Maths

In maths this term, we will be looking at formal written methods for addition and division alongside estimation. It is really important that children have a good knowledge of their times tables (2,3,4,5,6 and 10) so any practice to do with these would be fantastic. I would recommend the Hit the Button game as this encourages instant recall. We will also be looking at the 8 times tables as our KIRF fact this term.

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If you would like any information on how we teach these methods in class or guidance on how to support at home, please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher.

These are a selection of books **Year 3** children will be exploring during this topic. They have been carefully selected as high quality texts to support your child's learning of the curriculum. We invite children to read these books during their free-reading time in school but you may also want to grab a copy for your own bookshelves at home!



Your child will be taking part in P.E on **Wednesday and Thursday**. As we will not be using the cloakrooms at this time, we are asking that children come to school dressed in their P.E kits on the days that they have P.E. We would like to remind our families that this involves wearing their teams coloured T-shirt (plain, no slogans), black/navy blue shorts or black/navy blue jogging bottoms and trainers/daps. Usual school sweatshirt/ cardigan can be worn with this – no other sweatshirts to be worn please. If you do not know which house your child is in, please email the class email address Europeclass@sgmail.org.uk



We will continue to send home your child's homework for the entire term. This will include the term's spelling words/rules and Maths Instant Recall Facts. **We will be asking for homework books and reading records to be brought back into school on Wednesday 31st March.** These will then be marked and returned to your child after the Easter break.

Also, we would like to remind you that your child is able to log on with their purple mash logins to complete any extra homework and practise their learning at home.



Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day, as at this time our water fountains will be out of use. Also please make sure that their school uniform is labelled clearly with their name and class. We ask children not to bring in their own stationery, toys or items from home into school. We will provide all the equipment that your child needs.

