



# Year 6 Newsletter

## Autumn 1

*Achieving Excellence Together with God's Love*

Welcome to Year 6 Autumn half term 1. This term we will be working our topic of Ancient Greece. We will concentrate on calculation as well as our topic maths. Remember to keep checking our class page for updates. This newsletter will give you really important information for this half term including what we will be learning, routines, homework and reading.

### Religious Education

This school year we begin working with our new, national RE Directory for curriculum RE. Our topic for this half term is 'Creation and Covenant.' We will explore the metaphor and symbolism in the story of creation in the Bible, look at Pope Francis' encyclical letter 'Laudato Si' about our common home and consider stewardship of God's Creation.



This is our class book for this half term. We will be using it for Book Talk and also to help inspire our writing.

### History: Ancient Greece

1. Who were the first Greek civilizations and how do we know about them?
2. How was Ancient Greece ruled?
3. Why were the Persian Wars and democracy part of the Golden Age of Greece?
4. Who were the Athenians and Spartans, and how did they compare?
5. What did Alexander the Great achieve and why was he influential?
6. Why are some of the achievements of the Ancient Greeks still important today?

Who was Alexander the Great?



### What else will we be learning this half term?

- Writing** – Greek myths and legends
- Numeracy** – calculation, place value, multiplication and division including decimals
- Science** – Light and Shadows
- Art** – Photography and Digital Art
- PE** – Hockey
- Computing** – iProgram
- Music** – Themes and Variations

### How can we achieve excellence this half term?

- Come to school every day and aim for 100% attendance
- Take homework home on Tuesday and complete it for the following Monday
- Read every day – grow your love for reading!
- Bring your reading book and record to school every day
- Practise your times tables using TTRockstars
- Be kind to someone each day
- Bring your PE kit (indoor and outdoor in case of bad weather!)
- Begin each day in prayer and ask for God's help.