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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year. Welcome back after Christmas. I wanted to share with you how learning will be organised this term. Our class topic is 'Groovy Greeks' and I am in the process of organising a trip to the World Museum in Liverpool early in the term and a Groovy Greek themed day. Further details will follow shortly. Attached is an overview of our work this term. We are looking for parent volunteers to share our reading books with; please let me know if you can help, either regularly or on an ad hoc basis.

Maths and English will continue to be taught every morning and the afternoons will be cross-curricular and closely linked to our topic. Mrs Voke will support us with our learning on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and will also lead Independent Learning on Wednesday afternoons.

P.E will continue to be taught by Mrs Jones. These P.E. sessions will be on Thursday afternoons one week, and Monday afternoons on the other. Next week P.E will be on Thursday. Please can children have their PE kits in school at all times as sometimes we get wet or muddy during the day and it is good to have a dry change of clothes. Outdoor Learning is still timetabled for Friday afternoons, but as with PE kit please can children have wellies and waterproofs in school at all times to enable us to take our learning outside if the opportunity arises during the day.

What you can do to help at home:

- support your child with their reading by listening to them read and talking to them about their book. Please encourage your child to record their reading in their journals.
- practise weekly spellings (tested and changed on **Wednesdays** – **please note change this term**)
- practise times tables and telling the time
- Maths and English homework tasks (set on Thursdays, handed in on Wednesday mornings). Children will usually have two pages to complete in each homework book which will be linked to the work we have completed in class. The questions on each page become progressively more difficult, so do not worry if the grey circled questions are sometime too tricky. If you feel able, once your child has had a go it is ok to help them (please just put a pencil star by the question so I know they had help) or they can bring it in to school and we can look at the question together.
- use Mathletics. Sometimes the children will have targeted work linked to our learning in class which I have set them, other times they can have a go at a section of their choice or use Live Mathletics.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please pop in and see me or telephone. Thank you for your help and continued support.

Best wishes,

Anna Young

