

### Theme Overview

“Athens v Sparta” is a thematic unit based on Ancient Greece, with a key focus on history. Learning is centered on how the Greeks used to live, including the key aspect of mythology, especially highlighting the conflicts that characterized Ancient Greece.

### Maths Links

Statistics – Democratic vote, recording results in bar charts and tables  
Shape and Angles - Greek architecture

### Literacy Links

Myths and Legends

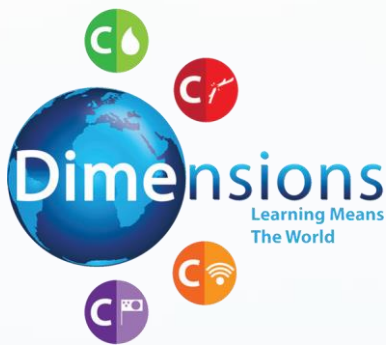
### Art

Design and make Greek pots

### PSHE

Collaboration  
Listening

Resilience  
Bullying



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## Science

Forces - Archimedes

## Computing

E-Safety

## Other Information

### Reading

To encourage a love of reading and support our work in English, we are going to study at least one key book per term, linked to the topic. The book for this term will be **Here comes Hercules! By Stella Tarakson**. School has bought copies of this book for the children to share, but if you do have a copy at home or would like to purchase a copy for your child to use in school, please feel free to do so. Please make sure that your child's name is written in the front of the book before they bring it to school.



## Home Learning

### Weekly Home Learning (Compulsory)

**Reading:** As always, we will be encouraging the children to **read** as often as possible. Please remember to sign your child's reading card (maximum once per day).

**Spelling:** To help them learn their weekly spellings, the children are expected to complete some activities on the Spelling Shed website each week. There will be a spelling test each Friday.

**Maths:** We will be continuing to have a focus on **times tables** to make sure that all children are able to recall the times tables up to 12 x 12 (Year 4) 2,3,4,5,8,10 x 12 (Year 3) as well as the corresponding division facts. Each week, the children are expected to practise at home using '**Times Tables Rock Stars**'. There will be dojos for the children who go above and beyond the homework set for them.

**Creative Home Learning (Optional)** Here are some choices of creative homework projects. If you choose to do one or more of them, they can be brought to school at any time during the 6week topic.

Research the links between modern day commerce and Ancient Greece e.g., Argos, Nike.

- Produce a tourist information leaflet about Greece (Ancient and Modern) listing places of interest.
- Learn some Greek words.
- Look at different shapes in Greek architecture.
- Make Greek masks linked to myths.