



# Heroes and Villians



Year 5 — Summer 2 — 2026

## What's it all about?

The last topic for this year explores the Ancient Greeks. We will be looking at what life was like in Ancient Greece — their gods, how the Olympics started and we will be having our own Greek day where the children will have the opportunity to dress up and taste Greek food. It's going to be lots of fun. We can't wait.



**Historians:** We will be learning about what life was like for the Ancient Greeks, all the different Greek gods and the history of the Olympic Games.

**Readers:** We'll be continuing to focus on developing our reading strategies with a particular focus on trying to use a variety of different strategies when reading a text. We will also be building up our reading stamina. We will be encouraging the children to continue to read regularly at home and get their Reading Records signed 5 times a week.. Our class book will be The adventures of Odysseus by Hugh Lupton.

**Spellers:** Our focused spelling patterns this half-term will be words with silent t, words ending in -ibly and -ably, -ent and ence, words with the ee sound spelt ei and words ending in -ant, -ance, and -ancy. Also words from the Year 5 and 6 spelling list.

**Writers:** We will be reading The adventures of Odysseus by Hugh Lupton which retells Homer's epic of Odysseus' perilous journey home. The children will be focusing on writing balanced arguments, a setting description, letter writing and writing their own Greek myth.

**Mathematicians:** The maths topics this half-term are: Decimals, negative numbers and measurement—converting units and volume. The children will be encouraged to regularly practise their times tables.

**Musicians:** Our topic called the three birds.

**Artists:** We will be designing and creating clay Greek vases.

**RE:** We will be looking at the topic of a journey. We will also be visiting a Buddhist Temple to finish off our topic from last term.

**Computing:** Our topics will be searching and creating data bases.

**Science:** Our topic will be on Forces. We will be looking at different forces on an object, air resistance, levers and pulleys, gears, friction and water resistance.

**Family Learning Ideas:** Take a visit to Haslemere Museum, The British Museum or the National History Museum to learn more about the Ancient Greeks.

**Be The Best You Can Bel - Our Value of the half term is: Co-operation** This includes: consideration, peace, love, teamwork, humility, unity.

**Trips/in-school visits:** We will be visiting the Buddhist Temple in Knaphill, having a Greek day (14th July) and attending a Sports morning at Winston.

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