## Year 5 - Autumn Term

English	In English we continue to learn how to read and write a range of text types, including instructional texts, fictional texts and poetry. We enjoy reading 'The boy in the girl's bathroom' to produce interesting pieces of writing as a result. We focus on planning our writing and how we use our plans when we write. We also link our English learning with our topic when we look at Greek Myths and Legends and we act out in drama specific scenes. This leads us to go onto make our own comic books based on a Greek myth.
Maths	We learn about a wide range of mathematical topics: including place value; mental and written methods for the 4 operations; securing number facts; reading and plotting data on line graphs and developing our understanding of perimeter and area.
Science	We learn about the Earth's movement in space in relation to the Sun in the solar system. We look at the effect of Earth's movement on seasons and the different time zones across the world. In addition to this, we discuss the moon's effects on tides how the rotation of the Earth can explain day and night.
R.E.	In Religious education we learn about Judaism, in particular Abraham and how Jewish people worship.
PSHCE	We discuss British values with a main focus on democracy and our rights and responsibilities as members within our school. We also discuss freedom and responsibility.
Computing	We learn how computers work, as well as using spreadsheets to manipulate data. In the second half of term we look at E- Safety to help children understand and develop an awareness of the range of risks associated with using different digital communications.
PE	On Tuesdays we have a specialist P.E teacher, at which time we play invasion games. On Thursdays each class will participate in activities in order improve their cardiovascular fitness.
Topic	Ancient Greece
History	The children learn about Greece as an ancient civilisation, discovering people's beliefs and way of life using artefacts and evidence of the period. This is a good opportunity to compare past society with society today. We also learn about the history of Athens and Sparta.
Geography	We study ancient and modern maps of Greece. We explore climate and terrain of Greece today. We look at how the physical characteristics of the country's landscape influence social, cultural and economic development.
Art	The children will create Greek masks and study the architecture of Ancient Greek buildings in order to creat their own designs.
DT	In DT, we evaluate a range of mazes and use coding technology to design our own mazes. These will be constructed from cardboard and other materials.
Music	We hope that all children in Year 5 have the chance to develop their Ukulele skills.
Spanish	Children learn basic greetings, simple opinions, the alphabet and numbers. They ask and answer how they are feeling, their names and their age. Children learn how to spell their names, count up to 100 and produce small dialogues. They also learn about Spanish culture.