

# **Arthur Bugler Primary School** **Parent Information Booklet**



**Year 3**

**Autumn Term**  
**2021**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are so excited to welcome you to Year 3! Our topics are really exciting and we just know that your children are going to love their new learning. This booklet gives you a brief overview of the two topics we have planned for the Autumn Term and you will find some information regarding each subject area. Just like previous years, each topic will begin with a 'Wow' starter to ignite the children's enthusiasm to learn.

Our first topic is 'Gods and Mortals', where we explore the History and Geography of Ancient Greece.

To 'wow' the children with this topic we will be dressing up as Ancient Greeks and enjoying many activities relating to that period in time; this will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Please do not feel you have to go to lots of effort to find fancy dress; an old sheet wrapped round with a belt will be fine. We will remind you nearer the time and double check any food allergies, as we are likely to be tasting samples of Greek food.

After half term the next topic is probably our favourite, 'Scrumdiddlyumptious!' As long as Covid restrictions are relaxed we would like to treat the children to experiencing a restaurant, but this will be reviewed nearer the time. They will be focusing on 'healthy eating' and the Science behind a balanced diet. As this will be leading up to Christmas, we are sure the children will delight in making some sweet little treats too.

In English, we will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. The children will be listening to many of the Greek myths and writing their own creative versions. They will learn how to write information texts, using sub headings and using more formal and technical language.

During our topic of Scrumdiddlyumptious we will be looking at the biographies of certain celebrities and writing our own about them. As the term progresses 'folktales' will be our focus.

Our main focus will be supporting development of sentence structure; ensuring the children are using basic punctuation, developing their grammar skills and making progress with their spellings of common words.

In Mathematics, we will begin the new academic year by developing the children's knowledge of place value. We will be looking at the value of each digit in a given number. We will be using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to calculate and solve problems.

Learning our times tables will take place daily to support our Mathematical skills. Any support at home to learn them quicker will be really beneficial to your child. There are lots of times tables songs on Youtube which are a great help.

### **Cornerstones**

#### ***Gods and Mortals***

From nothingness came chaos; from chaos came air and water; from air and water came life. Then, rising majestically from the darkness, came Gaia, Mother Earth, a beacon of warmth and light. Discover a fantastical world full of mythical creatures and legendary heroes. Poseidon, Apollo, Artemis and Zeus reign almighty from Mount Olympus, watching mere mortals on dusty Athenian streets. Meet Theseus, the hero, and Helen of Troy, the beautiful face that launched a thousand ships. Explore the terrains of Greece, where in pure blue skies, the Sun scorches waxen wings and melts the fortunes of Icarus and Daedalus. Then decide your own fate when a mysterious box is found and stirs your curious mind.

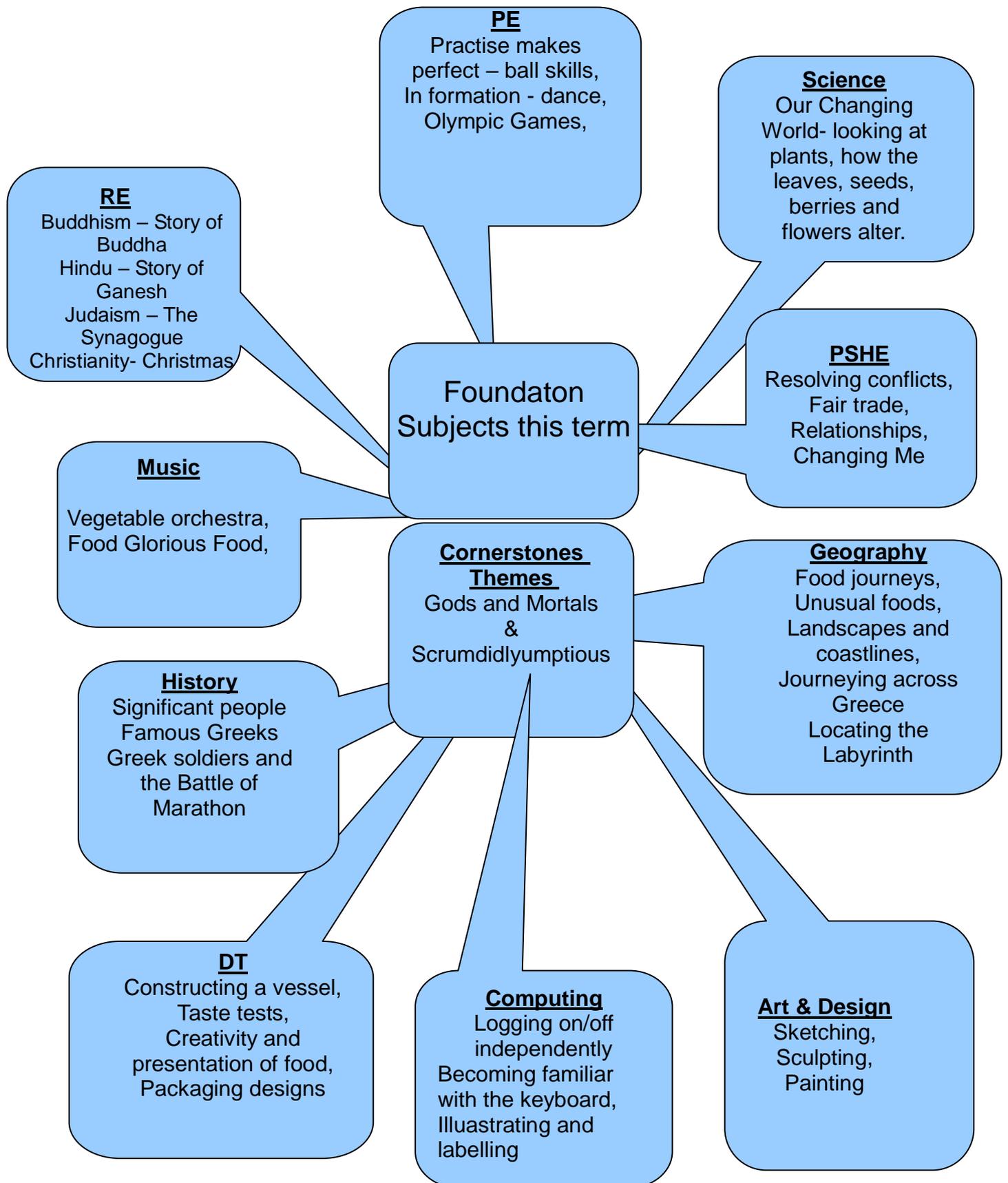
Linked text: *Greek Myths for Young Children* – retold by Heather Amery

### **Cornerstones (our second half of the term)**

#### ***Scrumdiddlyumptious!***

Tuck in and enjoy a yummy journey of discovery, tasting fantastic fruits, venerable vegetables and tantalizing treats. Work up an appetite with delicious stories about food, have fun with a vegetable orchestra or become a fruity sculptor. Find exciting recipes to read – and write your own, too. Then get busy in the kitchen, making tasty dishes from across the world and discover how good food helps you grow fit and strong. Be a whizz and create your own scrumdiddlyumptious smoothie for Squeezy Joe and his team of fruity friends. And here's food for thought – if you are what you eat, what does that make you?

Linked text: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* – Roald Dahl



## **General Information**

- PE uniform should remain in school at all times and will be sent home for washing at the end of each half term. Our PE days are Tuesday (indoor PE) and Thursday (outdoor PE)
- A weekly homework task will be set on Thursdays and need to be returned by the following Monday.
- Spellings will be sent via Dojos on Friday and tested the following Friday.
- Please listen to your child read every night at home and record on the Go - Read App.
- Water bottles should be clearly named and brought into school every day.

Thank you for all your support, we are positive it is going to be a brilliant year.

**Mrs Scott and Miss McGoldrick**