

## Year 4 Newsletter

### Autumn Term 1

During our first half term in Year 4, we have spent a lot of time learning about the Ancient Greeks in our History lessons. This topic has played a large role within our curriculum and has influenced everything from our writing to our artwork.

In English, we had been focusing on myths, legends and fables. We have enjoyed reading *Who Let The Gods Out* by Maz Evans. We have produced a variety of writing based on this book, including non-chronological reports about Zeus, diary entries and wanted posters. We have also read a range of Aesop's Fables and we have even enjoyed acting some of these fables out in front of the class. We then used our knowledge to write our own fables which included a moral to teach the reader a lesson.

Also linked to our History lessons, we have been enjoying learning about Greek pottery in art. We did a lot of research and design work before finally making and decorating our own pottery.



We have also been very active during our first half term in Year 4. Not only have we been going swimming every week, but we have also earned our first badges in bikeability, which we will hopefully continue to work on in Year 5.



In Year 4, we have also taken on the very important role of becoming Mini Vinnies. This means that we will be working hard to promote kindness within our school and local community. Over the Christmas season, we will be making and sending Christmas cards to those at Age Concern who may be feeling lonely this Christmas.



In our RE lessons, we have been learning all about the sacrament of reconciliation. We have spent a lot of time discussing forgiveness and saying sorry. We have read lots of scripture linked to this topic and we particularly enjoyed acting out the story of The Good Samaritan. We could all confidently retell the story and each took turns performing for our friends.

We are already enjoying our second half term and are looking forward to the next few weeks as we get closer to Christmas!

