



SHENFIELD ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you all had a wonderful Easter and are ready for the new term.

In the term ahead our topic is '*It's all Greek to me!*'. We will be looking at life and culture in Ancient Greece and the legacy it has left behind. Our geography focus will be to look at the location of Greece, climate and tourism. In history, we will be finding out about Ancient Greek life, religion, stories and heroes.

Our focus in Science will be plants, investigating the functions of parts of a plant and seed dispersal. We will also be grouping living things using classification keys. As part of this topic our Marvellous Middle will be a Planting Extravaganza on Wednesday 8th June at 9:00am – 11:30pm. You will need to provide your child with a variety of bedding plants and a large empty 2l plastic bottle. We have arranged a trip to Hyde Hall on 27th June in connection with our work in science on plants. We will become "Plant Detectives".

As part of our RE studies, we will be considering the impact of the story of the Pentecost on those involved and to Christians today. We will also be exploring the meaning of the Holy Trinity.

In Design and Technology, we will be designing and making a plant-based dish. For Art, the children will be creating a double clay sculpture influenced by Ancient Greek sculptures, Henry Moore and Anthony Gormley. We will develop our skills in music by continuing to learn to play the recorder.

PE will take place on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon (weather permitting). Please remember that the children should come to school dressed in their PE kit, which they will wear all day. **Items must be named.** We will have a tennis focus, learning to serve underarm and build up a rally using a variety of shots. In athletics, we will practise throwing with accuracy, develop good running and jumping for distance techniques.

We will be exploring our relationships with special people and pets through PSHE. In addition, one of our new topics is all about 'Changing Me'. This will include labelling internal and external parts of a female and male body and changes that occur during puberty.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs.Chudley and Miss.Michael



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