

Year 4 Spring 1: European Region



Children look at modern-day Greece as a country in the European Union and its capital city, Athens, along with it being rich in sites of human and historical interest.

Children will also look at Greece's warm climate, varied landscape and location on the Mediterranean Sea, and how it is a popular destination for tourists.

Significant People

**Stelios Haji-loannou
(entrepreneur)**



**Vangelis
(Greek composer)**



Main enquiry questions

- Where is Europe and what are its countries like?
- Why would you visit the Mediterranean?
- Why are migrants coming to Greece?
- What is the landscape of Greece like today?
- Where would you visit in Athens?
- How does everyday life in Athens compare with that in other places?

Key Concepts

The following are the key concepts for this unit: currency, migrant, retail, service industry, tourism, vegetation belt, easterly, northerly, southerly, westerly.

English Texts

This term in English we will be studying the following texts:

Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

The Matchbox Diary by Paul Fleischman

Maths learning

This term in Maths we will be studying:

Multiplication and division
Length and perimeter
Fractions and Decimals

Historical links	Science	Art	PE	Music	RE	Computing	French	PSHE
How Europe has changed in the past. What was the landscape of Greece like in the past?	Sound. How sound is made and travels Planned Investigations: Pitch and volume.	Use line, shape and colour to create patterns. Use folding, cutting and collage to help create pattern. Create repeated patterns to apply to a range of products and outcomes.	Fitness—circuits to improve fitness.	Exploring the music genre of Rock n Roll.	What does it mean to be Hindu in Britain today including how they show their faith at home and together and how they celebrate Diwali.	Programming a screen turtle Programming letters Patterns and repeats Using loops to create shapes Breaking things down Creating a program	Pocket Money Paying in a shop Likes and dislikes Poetry	Health and Wellbeing











Our Curriculum Elements for this half term.



Trips, activities and or visits this term:

Greek day!

Learning Hook		A European Kahoot quiz.
Fieldwork and living history.		Compare Newton Popleford to a European village.
Written outcome		Why visit Greece? A persuasive tourist leaflet on Greece.
Creative Outcome		Creating Mediterranean inspired patterns in Art.
Adventure (Activities in Adventure Island)		Orienteering challenges.
Play Project		Play project, Mediterranean inspired!
Celebration		A Greek inspired day! Bringing the Mediterranean to Newton Popleford!
Retrieval Practice		Where is Europe and what are its countries like? Why would you visit the Mediterranean? Why are migrants coming to Greece? What is the landscape of Greece like today? Where would you visit in Athens? How does everyday life in Athens compare with that in other places?



Learning & growing together,
taking every opportunity.

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**Curriculum Overview: Year 4 Spring 1:
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Spellings for the half term

KEY TEXTS:

A kids guide to Greece by Jack Roberts



Europe: Where on Earth by Vallepur



A Kid's Guide to Greece takes young readers (ages 9-12) on an exciting and colourful adventure to the amazing country of Greece. The book helps today's young explorers learn about the fascinating history, geography, culture, and wildlife of Greece with both fun facts and trivia.

Where on Earth is the UK? Where are koalas from, and who lives on Antarctica? From landscapes to animals, cities to people and languages to food, this series will let readers take a trip to each continent. It's time to travel around the Earth.

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
important	guarantee	capture	girls'	seen	mention	
increase	guard	feature	dogs'	grown	occasionally	
interest	guardian	furniture	parents'	hear	natural	
island	guess	mixture	children's	grate	often	
knowledge	guest	moisture	rabbits'	heal	medicine	
learn	guide	nature	women's	great	minute	
length	guidebook	picture	boys'	heel	opposite	
library	guilt	vulture	people's	he'll	occasion	
material	guile	adventure	men's	mail	naughty	
Imagine	guitar		babies'	groan		
				here		
				scene		