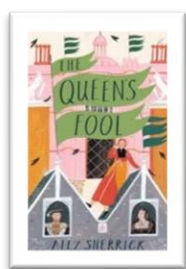


## Summer Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Welcome back!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back to the last term of Year 5. We have already had the most amazing Autumn and Spring terms, and the children have grown so much. We know that the upcoming term is going to be just as fabulous with lots of wonderful learning opportunities ahead of us. It has been lovely to see how well all the children have settled and how well they come into school each day, ready for learning. We are all very excited for this term.



### English

This term in English we are reading *The Queens Fool*. Cat Sparrow is on the road. She's following her sister, Meg, who was torn from their convent home and sent to London. But Cat isn't like other people - she thinks differently - and for a girl like her the world holds many perils. Luckily, she befriends a young actor, Jacques, and together they follow Meg's trail to a wondrous place called the Field of Cloth of Gold. But here, they discover that the kingdoms of England and France are both in terrible danger ... Here the children will write a scene from the text using dialogue & actions for characterisation.

The children's library day will be on a Thursday so could you please make sure they are reading at home and bring in their book to be changed each week.

### Maths

Throughout this half term, the children will be deepening their understanding of place value looking at the fraction and decimal equivalence to tenths, hundredths and thousandths. The children will then apply their knowledge to order and compare decimals and fractions. We will also explore how to calculate the area and perimeter of different 2D shapes.

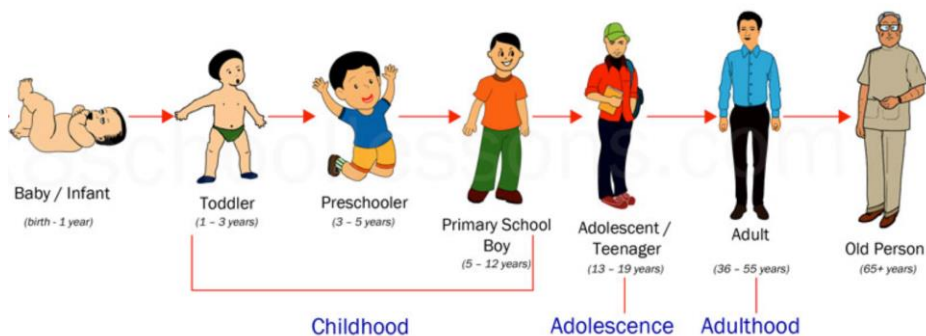
### Curriculum Theme



This term we will be focusing on the Ancient Greeks. We will discover how to Ancient Greece was one country divided into separate states, which were quite different. At the end of this theme the children will be able to discuss some of the influences Ancient Greece continues to have on our lives today i.e. democracy and the rule of law, theatre, the Olympic Games and philosophy. The children will also learn about key people of this time, including Alexander the Great.

### Other subjects at a glance:

**Science** – In this unit, children will learn about the life cycles of Animals, Plants and Humans and how they change and grow.



**Music** – This term the children are extremely lucky to be working on a project with Rock It Music Project and will have the opportunity to perform their achievements at the end of the term.

**French** – The units the children will be learning about are clothes and our homes.

**PD** – We will be following our No Outsiders units starting with equality leading on to drugs and safety which will include dealing with loss, understanding the effects of alcohol on the body, smoking and recognising the difference between helpful and harmful drugs.

### Useful websites

[www.hightersheath.excelsiormat.org](http://www.hightersheath.excelsiormat.org)

[KS2 - England - BBC Bitesize](#)

### Important Dates for this term

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Visit to Selly Manor

### Final Notices!

**PE day** is **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school on those days. Earrings are to be removed or not to be worn on PE days and long hair needs to be tied back.

Homework – will be sent out on Friday and should be returned on Tuesday.

If you have any queries, concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Please phone the school office or email: [enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org](mailto:enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org)

Best wishes, and thank you in anticipation for your continued support,

Miss Vigers and Mrs Hussain