

Topic Title: 2026 - A Space Odyssey

To engage the children, we will:

- Have an exciting visit to the observatory at University College London (UCL)
- Investigate the legacy of the Ancient Greeks.
- Recreate an Ancient Greek Olympic Games.

What the children will learn **to do** during the topic:

- Plan and carry out scientific investigations to understand how forces work.
- Create models and diagrams to illustrate the Solar System.
- Investigate key moments in space exploration and how they have affected humans.
- Learn about life in Ancient Greece and the influence it has had on modern day.
- Research and understand the impact of the discoveries of significant Greek scientists, mathematicians and engineers.
- Film and edit an explanation video.
- Learn and play songs using the recorder.
- Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate European countries and their describe features.

What the children will **know** by the end of the topic:

- The role that certain forces play in everyday life and beyond.
- An overview of the Earth and its place in our Solar System.
- How to use the designs of William Morris to inspire their own art work.
- How to take care of ourselves and others, including how to help in an accident or emergency.
- How to develop positive relationships.
- The similarities and differences between life in Ancient Greece and modern Greece.
- The beliefs and customs of Islam.

The memorable experience at the end of the topic will be:

A recreation of an Ancient Greek Olympic Games – followed by a feast of Ancient Greek delicacies.

To support your child's learning in this topic you could:

- Encourage your children to read every day and read with them.
- Visit the British Museum to explore the Ancient Greek artefacts.
- Visit the Space exhibition at the Science Museum.
- Discuss different forces and the solar system (e.g. gravity).
- Visit Catford Library to borrow books about space and the Ancient Greeks and read them together.

Home learning will be sent home on a Thursday.

PE Lessons

5G (Mr Greaves):
Wednesday and
Friday

5L (Miss Felton):
Wednesday and
Friday