### Bowes Primary School

## Year Five Home Learning Project Summer Two



- You should choose at least three out of the eight options below. You could think of your own idea for some research/project ('Brain Wave') as one of these.
- Please ensure you have some evidence of your Home Learning to share with your teacher. This may be presented in the Home Learning book that you
- have been given, or you may choose to present it in other ways e.g. using ICT, creating a sculpture- be creative with how you present your work.

	Calculate or reason	Read and Write	Discuss	Create	Teach	Whilst at Home!	Investigate	Be Active	Brain Wave!
Groovy Greeks!	Learn to use an abacus. Make your own abacus with materials that you find at home If you can't, download a free abacus app and learn how to use it. Can you come up with your own calculations? Find out about Pythagoras. Who was he? What is the Pythagoras' Theorem and what is it used for? Can you have a go at using it?	Write a fable inspired by Aesop's fables: read some examples here before you create your own http://read.gov/aes op/002.html (you can also listen to simplified versions: https://www.bbc.co .uk/teach/school- radio/audio-stories- fables/zv3vnrd The Percy Jackson series are based on Greek mythology. If you haven't read them, have a go. Can you think of any other novels based on Greek mythology?	Hold a Greek symposium – see information below. Make sure you dress up in a toga and munch some grapes (and send us a photo)! Compare what school was like in ancient Greece compared to what it is like for you.	Build a Trojan Horse – you will find some ideas below.	In ancient Greece, reciting poetry and telling stories were considered world-class entertainment. Poets, called rhapsodists, would stand with a staff in front of a group and use dramatic voices to bring the story to life. Grab a stick, put on some dark glasses and teach someone to rap a rhapsody – see the Odysseus rap below. Teach someone in your family the Greek alphabet. Have you seen any of these letters used, for example in maths?	Take a virtual tour of the British Museum Greek galleries: <u>https://www.bri</u> <u>tishmuseum.org</u> /collection/galle ries/greece- 1050-520-bc	Try building different shapes of columns. How tall can you make it? What shape holds best? Research foods that were popular in ancient Greece. Create an illustrated and colourful menu for a feast.	Organise a pentathlon in the park- see information below. Research the first Olympics: What sports were included? Can you try any of these at home? Organise your own mini Olympics for your family with one event a day.	

Your Home Learning should be completed mid-way through the half term. We would like you to email the office (homelearning@bowesprimaryelt.org) with a photo of anything you have managed to create! Some of your work will be shared on the school website.

Hand in Date								
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June '20								

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#### Homer and the Homettes The Odyssey Rap

of a group, and receive

My name is Homer, I'm an old-time poet I'm one of the ancient Greeks, doncha know it I'm the boy who told about Troy. How the Greeks got annoyed, And Troy got destroyed

Now one of these Greeks, he had a plan The king of Ithaca was the man He went by the name Odysseus Don't dis, don't dis Odysseus 'Cause he was the man who thought of the plan The gift of a horse with an inside force That would end the war. Make the Greeks' spirits soar!

#### (Chorus)

Yeah, that's the way it happened That's the way it was Just feel a blast from the ancient past 'Cause that's what Homer does Yeah, that's what Homer does!



Now, Odysseus sailed his ships away But to god of the sea he forgot to pray So Poseidon got mad and made things bad He made the sea rise and made Odysseus sad

Poseidon blew poor Ody far, far away Where the whirlpools whirl and the dragons play Where sirens sing and drive you crazy To lotus land where you get lazy

noomed by the lord of the foam to roam It looked like poor Odysseus would never get hom He ran into a cyclops with one big eye Had to cross a lake of fire to the other side

Then his ship got sunk, and his crew was gone Poor Ody was alone, but he had to carry on. But, hey, in the end, a ship from a friend Came along to bring Odysseus home again He was happy as can be to see Penelope After 20 long years of his Odyssey!

#### (Chorus)

Yeah, that's the way it happened That's the way it was For epic poems just turn to Homes 'Cause that's what Homer does!

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# Organize a Pentathlon

The pentathlon - or five events - was the most important contest in the ancients' Olympics. (In Greek, penta is "five," and athlon is "contest.") The five events were: wrestling, racing, jumping, throwing the javelin, and hurling the discus, a heavy wooden circle.

Create your own pentathlon by organizing five games of your choice. How about arm wrestling, racing, jumping, throwing the

Hold the games in a large backyard or public park. Ask your friends to bring chalk, tape measures, and watches to measure and

Stretch a string out on the ground to stand behind for the throwing contests or jumping events, and as a finish line for your race.



Hold a Symposium

When the Greeks got together to explore ideas, they lie on couches, munching grapes, figs, and nuts, before they began wrestling with big ideas.

These social gatherings were called symposiums.

To have a Greek-style symposium of your own, gather your family together, and stretch out on some blankets.

*Everyone gets some grapes to be* eaten ancient Greek-style by dangling them over his or her mouth. When your quests are *ready, you -as the leader- pose a question:* "What makes people happy?". Or, "What skill or possession do you most value in yourself?" (This is an actual question Socrates once asked a symposium.