

Y 4 – Spring 1

English

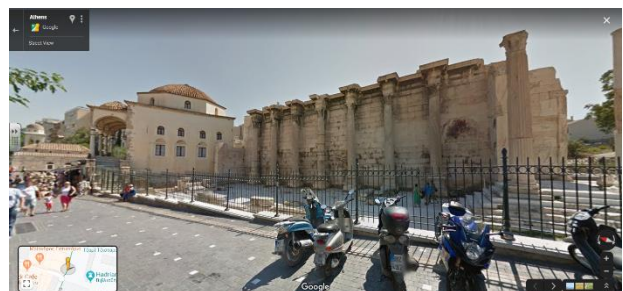
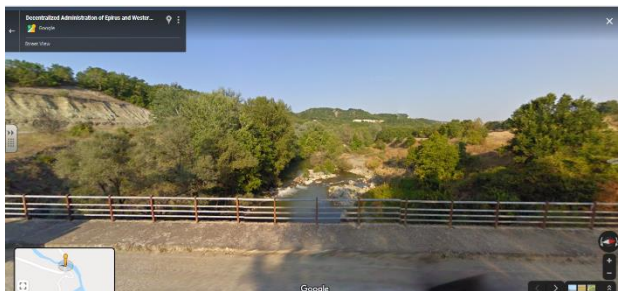
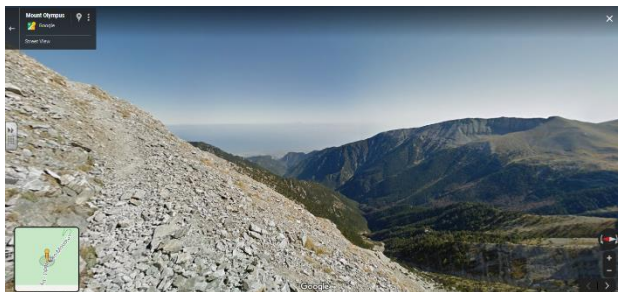
In English lessons, we started the term by looking at a story called 'Young Zeus' by G. Brian Karas. Our targets during this text were to improve our vocabulary and to be able to write in detail. Our expanded noun phrase poems turned out brilliantly and we now know lots of new interesting adjectives. After that, we moved onto Myths and Legends. So far we have studied Theseus and the Minotaur, Icarus and Daedalus and Orpheus. We have used these stories to practise our recount skills, paragraphing and speech punctuation. After half-term we are looking forward to working with our visiting author Yvonne Carlin-Page.

Maths

At the beginning of this term, we tackled the daunting task of written methods for division. We have been linking our knowledge of multiplication and times tables and learning all about the 'bus stop' method. We also learned about finding the area of rectilinear shapes, firstly by counting the squares, then by using the formula 'length X width = area.' Most recently, we have recapped what we already know about fractions, and now we are moving on to equivalent fractions, counting in fractions and converting improper fraction to mixed number fractions. Our maths brains are definitely ready for a well-deserved holiday!

Geography

Geography lessons have been super interesting this half-term. We have been learning all about the 7 continents and 5 oceans. We have even managed to squeeze in a day trip to Athens (via Google Maps 😊) We have been comparing the climates of Athens and London and thinking about how the climate in hot countries can affect the daily life of the people who live there.



We are looking forward to moving on to learning about the historical side of Greece when we study **Ancient Greece** next half term.