A Welcome Guide

The Royal High School

S3 Classical Studies
Welcome to the department.

Hello to you all and welcome to the Classical Studies department, because of the situation we find ourselves in we are having to work slightly different to normal. This pack has been designed to give you access to activities to do whilst you are at home, and unable to log into Teams.

When you complete your activities you simply email your completed work to me, it can be a photo or a file if you have used any of your office files. We are going to start the year of very simply by doing a research and presentation task.
ACTIVITY 1

THE GODS OF ANCIENT GREECE
Out first unit is all about MYTHOLOGY and RELIGION in Ancient Greece.

You are going to discover hideous monsters, divine Gods, ritual blood sacrifice, tartarus the place of punishment, and much more in between.

But to start with we are going to do a research project, in which all you will need is access to the internet and either some paper if your going to draw, or office 365 if you would prefer to complete your work digitally.

There are three different activities here each one designed to help you get to know the Greek Gods better, and allow you the opportunity to get creative.

So lets get started!
1. So who were the Gods? Well the Greeks believed that there were Gods who lived on Mount Olympus (known as the Olympian Gods), and those who lived underground.

2. Your first task is to complete your own family tree of the Olympian Gods. Starting with the Kings of the Gods Zeus and going through his children. Try and find out and draw the symbol of each God next to their name.

3. You will need to use the internet to help you find out about who the Olympian Gods are **hint there are 12 of them.**

4. Success Criteria:
   - I have included all 12 olympian gods
   - I have written what they were the gods of (ie thunder)
   - I have included the symbol for each of the Gods
   - I have shown how they are all related to each other
   - I have complete this by doing all my own work.

5. Once you have completed this task either take a picture of or submit the original file to me in an email if you cannot log onto teams. I will include a copy of this document on the teams site as well.

6. Don’t worry too much about getting masses of detail in here, that is not important this is meant to be an individual research task, which gives you an opportunity to show off your creative skills.

7. The best of these will go on twitter so make sure that you are giving it your all.
Task Two: Choosing an Olympian

1. So now we all have a cool version of the Olympian family tree, I want you to choose one God or Goddess, who you think is the coolest, it can be any of them.

2. Then I would like you to research more into that God or Goddess, and again prepare an information sheet about your chosen deity. Imagine as if you were going to be able to tell the class all about them.

3. Below is a list of things that you need to include, and I have also give some examples of past years efforts to highlight what you should do.

4. Remember this is another creative and research based tasks, again when you have finished either upload of teams or email me. You can do it any format that you like as long as I can open it I am not bothered.

5. Success Criteria:

   I have chosen a God/Goddess who interests me
   I have given an explanation of why I chose them
   I have included very briefly one story or myth about that God or Goddess 
   I have included a picture of that God/Goddess
   I have included a picture of their symbol
   I have included information about what that God/Goddess was responsible for
   I have explained why I think that this God/Goddess is the coolest.
   I have either uploaded my finished work to teams, or emailed Mr.Sewell
ATHENA
The Goddess of Wisdom

HESTIA
Goddess of Domestic Life
DIONYSUS

- God of wine, grape cultivation, fertility, theatre and religious ecstasy.
- Son of Zeus and the mortal Semele.

Last god to enter Olympus
- The only god to have a mortal parent
- Dionysus was seen as an outsider
- Born of fire and nursed by rain.

A symbol of Dionysus was his staff or magical wand - Thyrsus. The staff had the ability to turn a rock into water and the water into wine.

ATHENA

The birth story of Athena is that Zeus's wife at the time became pregnant with Zeus's child (her wife's name was Metis, a shape shifter). A prophecy said that the child would become even wiser than Zeus. In order to prevent this, Zeus tricked Metis into turning into a bug so that then he could swallow her. Zeus then married 6 times until he was with his present wife Hera. One day he had an enormous headache so ordered someone to open up his forehead. That's when Athena leaped from Zeus's head fully grown and fully armed.

The goddess of WISDOM
Task Three: Other Gods

1. There were many other Gods in Ancient Greek belief, they would often worship Gods from other cultures too. Your next task is to choose **ONE** of the following Gods from the list below, and create a presentation just like you did from task two.

2. Choose one of the following:
   - HADES (lord of the dead)
   - HEKATE (goddess of magic)
   - ISIS (Egyptian Goddess)
   - MITHRAS (Persian God of soldiers)

3. Once you have chosen your God or Goddess, then complete your research task following the success criteria below.

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5. Success Criteria:
   - I have included a picture of that God/Goddess
   - I have included a picture of their symbol
   - I have included information about what that God/Goddess was responsible for
   - I have explained why I think that this God/Goddess is the coolest.
   - I have either uploaded my finished work to teams, or emailed Mr.Sewell