Literacy

We will be reading a range of texts related to The Stone Age including 'Stone Age Boy' and 'Secrets of Stone Henge'. Using these texts, the children will be writing setting and character descriptions as well as a non-chronological report. Children will develop their sentence writing skills using different conjunctions and openers, and consolidating previously learnt punctuation, grammar and spelling. We will then look at the story 'Coming Home' and retell the exciting journey of the robin. Finally we will write instructions for making Christmas crafts.

Art / Design and Technology

This term we will explore different drawing and line techniques with a focus on the artist John Constable. We will look at some Stone Age cave paintings and try to create some using learnt techniques.

In Design and Technology we will be focusing on the mechanics of a vehicle and will be designing our own.

<u>History and Geography</u>

In our History lessons this half term we will be studying Early People from Stone Age times. We will look at the sorts of settlements people lived in and the tools they used.

In Geography, we will learn and find out about climate zones, thinking about where they are located, the effect of the position of the Equator and comparing different climate zones.

Music

In Music we will explore two new units where we learn songs and develop our skills playing the glockenspiel.

Maths.

The focus this term is understanding three digit numbers. We will be looking at the value of each digit, which will support the children when calculating three digit numbers including addition and subtraction We will also look at weight and measures. There will be a focus on learning times table facts.

French

This term we will be focussing on French greetings, numbers 0-5, classroom instructions and the French alphabet. We will use these and learn some French vocabulary for colours and animals to begin conversations. We will also look at adjectives for description and spelling vocabulary we learn.

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Science

Our Science unit this half term will be Rocks and we will learn about how they are formed, different types of rocks, how fossils develop inside rocks and how soil is formed. After half term, we will look at forces and magnetism, learning how objects move on different surfaces and how magnets repel and attract.

Computing

We will be thinking about how we can use Information Technology to create media through desktop publishing. After half term, we will begin coding within Computer Science.

Religious Education

This term we will start by looking at what Christians learn from the Creation story. We will study the Creation story and discuss a range of ways in which this influences God's followers.

After half term, we will learn about what is it like to follow God and his teachings.

Physical Education

This half term we will focus on football, developing our team skills, passing and defending. After half term, we will begin to look at Outdoor Adventurous Activities learning directional and coordination skills.

PE Days

PE days for Year 3 are Monday and Thursday.

All children must have navy blue or black shorts or jogging bottoms, a school PE t-shirt (red, blue, green or yellow), trainers or pumps.

No Spare PE kit will be provided. Children need to leave kit in school for the half term.

Reading

Children will have a daily reading session where they will read to an adult or independently. Please read with children at home and record this in their reading diaries. Ensure children bring books and diaries with them everyday.

Children also have 'Bug Club' log-ins in their reading diaries so that they can access e-books at home.

We will visit the library on a Friday. Please bring your library book back on a Friday if you wish to change it.



Important Reminders

Forest School

Forest school for Year 3 will be on Wednesdays. Our main Forest school will be in the Autumn term, so we will need a spare change of clothes, wellies and a waterproof coat. Please provide a bag for any wet clothes to go home in.

Don't forget

- -Bring a water bottle in everyday with fresh water
- -You won't need a pencil case because you will have your own in school
- -Children will have spellings and times tables to learn online at home through Spelling Shed and Times Table Rockstars. They will be tested on a Friday. Please ensure spelling books are returned each week.
- -P.E and Forest School Kits