

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

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It seems like only a short time ago that we were giving you your first Year 3 curriculum letter and here we are towards the end of the year!

Below is brief outline of what your child will be learning in Year 3 this half term. We hope you will take the opportunity to read and discuss it with your child to support their learning at home.

Subject	
Literacy	<p><u>Writing</u> - We will be learning about writing a story based on the text 'The Boy with the Bronze Axe' We will be applying all of our writing skills that have learnt. We will be focusing on the correct use of a and an as well as different ways to start sentences, using prepositions to describe the position of an object, place or person and the correct use of speech punctuation within dialogue. We will also be writing a recount of a special Stone Age event that will be announced later! We will be focusing on writing in the first person, using subheadings to organise our ideas and our use of vocabulary to excite the reader. We will be recapping spelling rules for adding prefixes, suffixes and plurals.</p> <p><u>Reading</u> – We will be focusing on the structure of different texts and how this has an impact on the reader, recapping on our understanding of inference and discussing themes in books and texts.</p>
Numeracy	<p>We will be learning to tell the time to 5 and 1 minute intervals, understanding adding and subtracting time, including problems which go over the hour. We will be comparing durations and units of time and use this knowledge to order time and solve real life problems.</p> <p>We will be recapping our knowledge and understanding of times tables and multiplication. We will be learning how to break down multi step mathematical problems and apply our knowledge and understanding of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve them.</p> <p>We will be using all our 4 maths operations to solve money problems including how to find change for upto £10.</p>
Topic – Geography/Science	<p>Our topic this term is Stone Age to Iron Age and will be exploring the different ways of life comparing them to ours today. This will include homes, food, clothing and the domestication of animals. We will looking at significant settlements such as Stonehenge, Skara Brae and Maiden Castle.</p> <p>We will be investigating the science of rocks and soils. We will be learning about the different names, properties and uses of rocks as well as learning how the rocks have been formed. As scientists we will be testing the different rocks for hardness, permeability and reaction to acid (vinegar).</p> <p>We will be looking at different types of soil and where in the UK we would find them. We will be learning about the best usage for different soils and their compatibility to farming crops.</p>
ICT	<p>We will be using the safe search engines to learn about different Stone Age to Iron Age settlements as well as different examples of cave paintings.</p>
RE	<p>We will be spending a day with Lena from St James church exploring the concept of creation and what this means for Christians as well as other faiths and to the children themselves.</p>
Music	<p>This term as part of our "Everyone Plays!" project, all children in Year Three will be learning to play the ukulele. We will be learning to play chords and to strum using different patterns. We will sing a range of songs and accompany them on our "ukes." Our concert this term will be on Tuesday 10th July at 9 a.m.</p>
Art /DT	<p>We will be exploring and designing Stone Age cave paintings and looking at how to make Stone Age paint. We will be using different implements to use with the paint to create our own Stone Age painting.</p> <p>We will be looking at using the 5 point technique in clay to create our own Stone Age animal or person.</p>
French	<p>This half term, we will be continuing to build on our knowledge of numbers by learning 20 - 30. We will be using numbers, days and months to write important dates. We'll learn the names of popular toys, say if we like them and create prince labels.</p>



PE – Outdoor PE is athletics, indoor PE is circuits

Library - Friday

Important dates

Year Group Assembly Friday 25th May at 9am

Visit to the Nuffield theatre 11th June

Ukulele Presentation on Tuesday 10th July at 9.00 a.m.