

Year 3 Class Newsletter

Spring 1 2024



Dear Parents,

We hope you have a lovely break and very happy new year. This half term Year 3 will be learning about the early humans and the Stone Age. Please read the topic map below to see in what ways we will be exploring this topic.

Our half termly topic this term is: Through the ages

In History we will be asking...

- What is the Stone Age?
- What are the three periods of the Stone Age?
- What was life like in the Stone Age?

I already know...

I have learnt:



Palaeolithic
Mesolithic
Neolithic
pre-history
Iron age
Stone Age
Bronze Age
tin
copper
weapons
farming

In English we will be reading...



In Art we will be asking...

- What are cave paintings?
- Why was the discovery of cave paintings in the Chauvet-Pont-d'Arc important?
- What materials would cave art be made from?

I already know...

I have learnt:

Cave painting
Natural paint
Clay, chalk,
stone
Tools
Communication



In Geography we will be asking...

- What is a hill fort?
- Why were hill forts built on hills? What advantage did this offer?
- What evidence of hill forts remain in the United Kingdom today?

I already know...

I have learnt:



shelter
camp
seasons
huts
wattle and
daub
settlement
hill fort
defence
round houses
communities
farming

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Trips, events and visitors:
• Natural History Museum

In Design Technology we will be asking...

- Why is it called the Stone Age?
- What is Bronze? What is Iron?
- Why were the tools from the Iron Age stronger?

I already know...

I have learnt:

flint
bone
antler
axe
tools
bronze
smithing
iron
alloys



Questions

Topic Review



Other activities, trips and events this half term:

- Natural History Museum – 31/01/24

What you can do to help:

The children are encouraged to read every evening for about 15 minutes. Please try to hear your child read. Ask them questions about the book to help improve their comprehension and understanding. Remember, the best readers also make the best writers! Reading books will be changed once a week to begin with. Twice a week when we are settled into our routines.

Things to remember:

- PE kits need to be brought in every Monday and taken home every Friday to be washed.
- Homework and spellings are given out every Friday and homework is due back to school the following Monday.
- Remember! – school starts at 8:55. All children should be lined up and ready each morning.
- Every child should have a bottle of water in school, please ensure your child has one.
- It is also essential that children remember their glasses if they wear them.

Best wishes from the class team: Theo, Class Teacher. Hasina, HLTA. Maisha, Trainee Teacher.