



English:



This term we will be reading a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts including 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura. The texts will give us the opportunity to develop the children's writing and reading skills. The children will learn how to vary their sentence starters using adverbs and link sentences using a range of conjunctions.

Over the term, we will write for a range of purposes. Through discussions around the texts, we will make predictions and encourage the children to ask questions. Their understanding of the text will be reinforced with comprehension questions. Through our English lessons, the children will also be taught grammar and spellings in accordance with the National Curriculum for Year 3. Please encourage your child to read **at least 3 times a week** and record when they have read using Boom Readers.

History Autumn 1: Our topic is '[Would you prefer to live in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age?](#)' We will be learning about how the people of Britain have developed over thousands of years.

Geography Autumn 2: We will learn about the features and characteristics of the Earth's layers, including exploration of volcanic, tectonic and seismic activity in the topic '[Why do people live near volcanoes?](#)'

Art Autumn 1: We will be exploring sculpture and 3D art and learning about abstract shape and space. We will also be creating our own prehistoric cave paintings.

DT Autumn 2: We are thinking about cooking and nutrition during our 'Eating Seasonally' unit.

Music Autumn 1: We will be creating our own compositions in response to watching an animation about mountains.

Autumn 2 We will be learning about pentatonic melodies and compositions.

Maths:



During our maths lessons, we will focus on number - place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our targets will focus on:

- ✓ Represent numbers to 1000
- ✓ Understand the place value of 3-digit numbers
- ✓ Find 10 / 100 more and less than a 3-digit number
- ✓ Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits using the formal written method and mentally
- ✓ Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5, 10, 4 and 8 times tables
- ✓ Mental calculations using numbers up to 1000

Science:

In the first half term, we will be studying Rocks and Light.

We will be comparing and grouping rocks based on their properties. We will also learn how different rocks are formed as well as studying different soil types.

In the second half of the term, the children will learn about light. We will recognise that we need light to be able to see things, notice that light is reflected off surfaces and understand how shadows are made.

Computing:



In computing, our topic is computing systems and networks and we will be thinking about how computers are connected.

British Values: Children will be learning more about Democracy and the Rule of Law. As part of this, children will have the opportunity to vote for their representative on School Council.

RE

In RE, the children will be looking at what people believe about God. We will explore ideas about God and consider what this concept might mean for Christians.

PSHE: In PSHE, our focus in autumn 1 will be on 'Being in my World' which involves learning about ourselves and setting personal goals and making right choices. In autumn 2 will be looking at celebrating differences within ourselves and others.

PE:

Indoors - (Tuesday) Children will be developing their dance, balance and co-ordination.

Outdoors - (Monday) The children will be learning some new skills and learning to play invasion games.

Please ensure that children have the correct PE kit. This can be worn to school on the days above.

Dates for your diary:

4th September - Inset day

5th September - Welcome back

5th October - photographer in school

6th October - Stonehenge Day - visit to Kingswood

12th October - Parent consultations

26th October - discos

27th October - Half term - non-uniform -£1