

Year 3 Term 2 Newsletter 2023

Our topic over the next 2 terms will be focusing on The Stone Age.

Our Lead Enquiry question is: Where would an ideal location for a Stone Age settlement be in our local area?

WOW Event - Stone Age Experience Day (10th November) and Stone Age Day Exhibition.

<u>Maths</u> – Fractions (counting in tenths, comparing and ordering), Time (reading and writing time on a digital and analogue clock & reading and writing time in five-minute intervals), Money (making different combinations and adding/subtracting money from £5).

<u>Literacy</u> – Embedding the use of capital letters and full stops, pronouns (to avoid repetition), conjunctions, contractions (didn't, wasn't), adverbs to start a sentence, non-fiction leaflets and letter writing.

<u>PE -</u> Gymnastics (Wednesday indoors)

Kwik Cricket (Friday outdoors)

<u>Geography -</u> Volcanoes

To understand what a volcano is and where they are in the world

To explore what happens when a volcano erupts

To explore the features of volcanoes.

To understand what tectonic plates are and what the 'ring of fire' is.

To explore life in volcanic areas.

<u>Science -</u> Rocks

To identify natural occurring rocks and their uses

To group rocks according to their characteristics

To explore rocks – igneous

To explore rocks – sedimentary

To explore rocks – metamorphic

To explore what fossils are and how they are formed.

<u>PSHE</u> – We will be continuing to focus on the topics safe relationships and respecting ourselves and others.

<u>Music</u> – Kapow scheme of learning – Mountains. We will be learning to add percussion and sound to music.



<u>**RE**</u> – Our focus for this term will be Christianity – Christmas.

To understand how Christians celebrate Christmas.

To tell you what the nativity story tells Christians about Jesus (given to the world by God).

To understand the meaning of advent

<u>Computing</u> – This term our focus will be on creating media – knowing that an animation is a sequence of pictures, plan an animation, improve, and evaluate an animation.

<u>DT</u> – designing and making a Stone Age camp using natural materials used during the Stone Age.

General Reminders

PE days are Wednesday (indoors) and Fridays (outdoors)

TTRS - this should be completed at least ten minutes per day.

Please bring reading books to school every day.

Spelling and times tables will be tested on Fridays – please remember to bring in your blue book on this day so we can add new spellings and times tables.

<u>Teachers</u>

Mrs Cook and Miss Allison



<u>Art –</u> drawing a volcano

To explore art movements, and the historical and cultural developments in art, craft design.

To explore a range of drawing mediums to create form.

To explore a range of drawing mediums to create texture.

To use artworks as inspiration for my own artwork.

<u>Helpful Hints</u>

If you need some ideas for books your child could borrow from your local library, you may like to link them to volcanoes or rocks.

Here are some websites that may support your child with their learning:

https://ttrockstars.com/

https://www.myon.co.uk/index.html

<u>Volcanoes -</u>

https://www.3dgeography.co.uk/what-isa-volcano

Rocks & fossils

https://www.funkidslive.com/learn/geology -rocks/geology-rocks-fossils-3/