

Year 3 Curriculum Letter

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely week away from school. We are excited to continue our Stone Age topic and develop our knowledge of this exciting prehistoric time! We are looking forward to the hustle and bustle of Christmas activities later this term.

PSHE and ZONES We will continue our zones of regulation work. Self-belief squirrel will be leading by example during this term.

English and spellings

Please continue to practise your spellings each week in preparation for a weekly spelling test. It is important to encourage your child to use their spelling words in sentences in order to imbed these words into their memory.

It is essential that your child is reading for at least 40 minutes a week. Many children are still not doing this and this has an huge impact on their progress in the classroom.

We will be using the 'Stone Age boy' book to base our English writing on. This links to our topic and will keep the children enthused!



Science

We will be looking at light during this science unit. We will be discovering what light is and how it acts. Children will be describing how light travels, considering how light reflects off different surfaces and how shadows are formed.

Maths We will continue to focus on addition and subtraction, developing our knowledge of 3 digit numbers. We will be also be moving onto multiplication and division as we move closer to Christmas. It is extremely important that children become fluent in their times tables as this will support them during the multiplication test in year 4.

Things to remember

Please drop off your child between 8:45am—8:55am each morning. Pick up is at 3.10pm.

Please provide your child with a healthy snack to eat at playtime—fruit or vegetable only. Please make sure that your child has a nut free lunch. We are a nut free school. This includes no Nutella or nut containing chocolate spreads.

Please make sure that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled. You child will be responsible for their own belongings and labelling supports this. We are unable to return lost jumpers/cardigans and ties if they are not labelled.

Please remember to remove any earrings on swimming and PE days. PE kits will be left in school and returned at the end of each half term.

As the weather is turning colder, please include a pair of tracksuit bottoms and a long sleeve top in your child's PE kit.

Your child's reading book and reading record must to be sent to school EVERYDAY. Please make sure they are signed as they will be checked weekly.

You child will have a spelling and times table test each week. Day to be confirmed so please check your child's outside board.

KEY DATES

- 2nd November—Halloween Disco after school
- 11th-18th November— Anti-Bullying Week
- 11th November—Odd Sock and World Diabetes Day (Wear Blue £1)
- 30th November—KS2 Christmas Lunch
- 1st December—Advent event starts
- 7th December—Christmas Bazaar after school (Non-Uniform Day)
- 12th-16th December—Christmas Parties
- 19th December—9.30am Year 5 Church Service
- 19th December—Adult Helper and FOPTM Thank You
- 20th December—1.30pm Autumn Term Ends
- 5th January—Spring Term begins

Year 3 routine

Monday— Mulberry and Lavender PE

Tuesday— Lavender swimming PM

Wednesday — Time tables and spelling test

Thursday—Mulberry swimming

Friday—Lavender swimming

Forest school- Mulberry Class—Every Thursday during Autumn 1 starting 15th September. Lavender Class- Spring 1 (starting date TBC)

Please send your child into school with a bag that contains clothing suitable for forest school; long sleeved top, joggers/leggings and wellington boots.

**** Swimming and Forest school for Mulberry will be taking place per half a class on alternative weeks (half a class swimming the other do forest school)**

Topic— Stone Age

This term we are moving back in time to the Stone age. We are going to be looking at the different aspects of life in that time. We will be talking about food, clothing, farming and the community life. We will also link our learning with the famous landmarks: Stonehenge and Skara Brae.