

Year 3 Newsletter



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Autumn Term

English

In the Autumn Term we will write;

- A setting description based on Stone Age Boy and another based on Grandad's Island.
- A conversation based on Stone Age boy.
- A character description based on Grandad's Island.
- A non-chronological report on Light.

Maths



In the Autumn Term we will start by working on our place value where we will be representing, partitioning, ordering and comparing numbers. We will then move onto addition and subtraction, where we will add and subtract using place value knowledge, moving onto using the formal written method. Finally, we will work on multiplication and division

Science



Autumn 1 – Rocks. We will compare and group together different kinds of rocks based on their appearance and physical features. We will describe how fossils are formed and recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

Autumn 2 – Light. We will recognise that dark is the absence of light, notice light is reflected from surfaces and find patterns in the ways that shadows change.

Wider Curriculum

History – Our topic is Stone Age. We will explore Creswell Crags. We will learn about and sequence the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages and explore what we know about these times.

Geography – Settlements. We will investigate the settlement of Creswell, use ordnance survey maps to identify physical and human features. We will identify some ways human activity has changed the natural environment.

PSHE – we will explore 'me and my relationships', discussing and exploring special people, looking after our special people, how we can solve problems and discussing our feelings and emotions.

RE – Our Key Question is; Would celebrating Diwali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child? Has Christmas lost its true meaning? We are learning about Hinduism in Autumn 1 and Christianity in Autumn 2.

Music - We will explore different sounds using a range of instruments and looking at creating descriptive sounds to accompany a poem and create lyrics.

Art – Stone Age art – we will be creating cave painting and water colour Stone Henge paintings.

DT – This term we will be creating fossils and display frames.

PE

Our sport in Autumn 1 is gymnastics and in Autumn 2 will be Football.

PE will be on a Tuesday.

How can you help at home?

Reading – please promote reading as much as possible by engaging with the book your child brings home and other books they may enjoy. This can be them reading to you, or you reading to them.

Times Tables – Revise times tables. Our favourite game is Hit the Button, which can be found on Top Marks. There are also some great games on Purple Mash.

[Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds](#)

[Purple Mash by 2Simple](#)

Dojo – please engage with dojo as much as possible. The children love seeing when parents have viewed and liked posts.

Key Dates

Monday 15th September – Individual photos.

Monday 22 September – Come join us morning.

Wednesday 8th October – Flu Vaccinations.

Fridays 10th October – Wear yellow for 'World mental health day.'

Friday 17th October – Show Racism the Red card.

Monday 10th, Tuesday 11th November – Parents evening.

Friday 14th November – Children in Need

Thursday 11th December – Y3/4 Christmas performance.

Friday 19th December – Pantomime and Xmas Parties

