

# Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

Enclosed in this letter is an overview of all the exciting learning your child will be completing during the Autumn term.

Our topic for this term is The Stone Age. The children will be learning about changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.

If you require any further information about your child's learning, please speak to any member of the Year 3 staff.

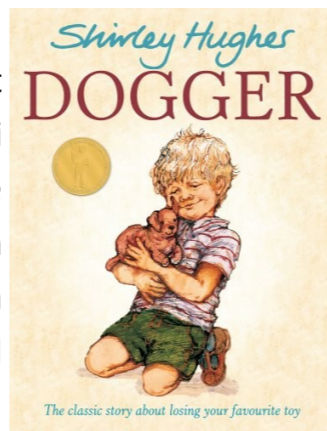
Yours sincerely,

Miss Nicholson and Mrs Kent

Year 3 Staff

## Literacy

Our learning this term will be based around two texts. 'Dogger', by Shirley Hughes, focuses on a young boy's soft toy which goes missing. 'Stone Age Boy', by Satoshi Kitamura, is about a boy who falls back in time to the Stone Age where he learns all about their way of life. The children will familiarise themselves with each story before writing a recount of the key events. When reading, the children will focus on the effect of an author's vocabulary choices.



## Mathematics

During the term, the children will:

- ◆ Read, write and represent numbers up to 1,000.
- ◆ Find 1, 10 and 100 more or less than a given number.
- ◆ Compare and order numbers up to 1,000.
- ◆ Add and subtract numbers mentally.
- ◆ Use a written method to add and subtract numbers with up to three digits.
- ◆ Recall and use multiplication and division facts.
- ◆ Solve problems involving multiplication and division.
- ◆ Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.



## Science

The first unit of learning is about light. The children will:

- ◆ Notice that light is reflected from surfaces.
- ◆ Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect our eyes.



During their learning about rocks, the children will:

- ◆ Compare and group rocks based on their appearance and simple physical properties.
- ◆ Describe how fossils are formed.
- ◆ Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

## Foundation Subjects

Our learning this term focuses on the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. The children will learn about:

- ◆ Late Neolithic hunter-gatherers and early farmers.
- ◆ Bronze Age religion, technology and travel.
- ◆ Iron Age hill forts.
- ◆ Tribal kingdoms, farming, art and culture.



## Personal, Social, Religious and Emotional Development



In Religious Education, the children will explore the questions:

- ◆ What do Christians learn from the creation story?
- ◆ How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?

During PSHE lessons, the children will learn about what makes a family and recognising respectable behaviour.

## PE

During PE lessons, the children will be learning the skills and techniques needed to play a range of invasion games, including basketball, netball and football. They will learn to throw, kick and receive a ball with control to keep possession and score goals, developing an awareness of space and team support.



## Other Information

### Home Learning

Home Learning will be sent home on a Friday and will be collected in on the following Tuesday. If home learning is not returned to school on time or the children require additional support, they will be asked to attend a Home Learning Club on a Friday lunchtime. The children have their own log-in details to access Times Tables Rock Stars.

### Spellings

Spellings are sent home on a Friday to be learnt in preparation for a test the following Friday.

### Home Reading

Every child has been given a reading book and reading journal. In addition, please encourage your child to read a variety of materials, such as newspapers and magazines. Reading journals need to be returned to school every Monday for monitoring.

### PE

PE lessons take place on Wednesday. Each child has been provided with a PE kit. Please ensure your child has their pumps or trainers in school. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons and long hair tied up.



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