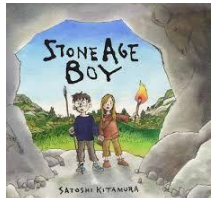


Welcome to Year 3's Autumn Term Overview.

This term, we will be learning about:

English

We will begin the year reading the book, 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura. The children will be exploring the setting and characters, as well as supporting their topic work to learn more about life in the stone age. At the end of the unit, they will write their own version of the story. We will then move onto explanation texts, focusing on the text, 'The Street



Beneath My Feet' by Charlotte Guillain.

Maths



Following the White Rose Hub scheme, we will begin the Autumn term by covering Number and Place Value to 1,000 as well as the Four Operations.

We will also be working on mental recall of Times tables including the 2,5,10,3,4 and 8's.

Science

Our Science unit this term is Rocks and Soil. We will go hunting for rocks and sort them according to their appearance and properties. We will then investigate where soil comes from and explore the different types of soil. Then we will describe how fossils are formed and understand why they are important to scientists.



History & Geography

History will be our first focus of the Autumn term through a study of the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age a period of over 10,000 years! To start this topic we will be visiting the Chiltern Open Air Museum to find out about life in the Stone and Iron Ages. Back in the classroom we will focus on homes, food, tools and farming during these periods. There will be a strong emphasis on the children investigating issues and solving historical questions.



Computing

At the beginning of Autumn term, we will be learning new Coding skills by following the Switched On Computing scheme. The children will use coding knowledge to design and create an interactive scene with Scratch software. The children will learn how to run, test and de-bug their programs. In Autumn 2, the children will focus on internet safety. They will learn what makes a safe password, the consequences of sharing confidential information, as well knowing how to use the internet to communicate in a positive way.



Religious Education

This term's question is: How are different people inspired by Jesus? Firstly, we will be thinking about our heroes and who inspires us. We will then find out why Jesus' teachings are an inspiration to Christians. We will be sharing different Parables and discuss the importance of the Beatitudes. We will visit St Mary's Church to discover how the church and Reverend Steve follows the teachings of Jesus.

PSHE

Our focus for Autumn term is 'Me and My Relationships' and 'Valuing Differences'. We will encourage open, honest and respectful discussions in all lessons.



P.E.

TFG lead PE on Wednesdays where we will be focusing on Badminton and ball skills. During Friday lessons, we will focus on skills such as throwing, catching, movements, kicking and dribbling. We will build up to mini matches where children will not only play, but evaluate other players. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing an appropriate PE kit for the weather. Please bring extra/spare kit in a PE bag if necessary.



Music

We will be using Charanga during our music lessons. During these lessons we will learn songs, study rhythm, and produce our own beats to the music. We will create simple rhythm patterns using African Drums. Towards Christmas, we will rehearse for our Lower Key Stage Two production; Year 3 will form the choir/chorus.

French

The study of French will begin in Year 3. We will learn how to introduce ourselves, as well as learning some colours and animals, before reading some well-known children's books in French.

Art and DT

During Autumn 1, we will be focusing on mark making and using natural materials to create Stone Age themed artwork. In Autumn 2 we will move onto designing a moving Christmas card, using levers. Outdoor Learning Day will provide additional opportunities to explore creating artwork on a large scale, using natural materials, inspired by woodland surroundings.



