

Year 3 Term 1 2018

I hope you have had a fantastic holiday and your child is enjoying the start of their life in the Junior School! We have been getting to know each other and the expectations of a Year 3 child as well as all the new routines that come from being in the Juniors. Our topic this term is ‘Stone Age to Iron Age’ and we will be discovering the changes that occurred within the British Isles during those thousands of years. The table below highlights the skills, knowledge and understanding which we are developing for each subject over the next few weeks. Please come and see me if you have any questions regarding your child’s learning this term.

English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To study Roald Dahl and his contribution to children’s literature • plan, draft and write an adventure story • read texts with an understanding of the devices writers use (e.g. vocabulary, punctuation, sentence structure) and be able to discuss whether they are effective • choose strategies for learning spellings and use them in our writing
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • read, write, order and compare numbers up to 1,000 • recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number • solve number and practical problems • count in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100 • learn our 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables facts
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explore how we are called to be part of God’s creation • discover how God calls us to follow Jesus • look at the initiation rites in the Hindu faith
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • learn how to use an arrow to show the direction of a force • learn about the forces of attraction and repulsion between magnets • learn that magnets can attract through some materials and from a distance • recognise that different magnets have different strengths • learn that when objects, such as a rubber band or a spring, are pushed or pulled, an opposing push or pull can be felt
PHSE / Citizenship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create a class contract • discover the rights that every child is entitled to within school • understand the importance of rules
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand the importance of secure passwords • select, use and combine a variety of software to create and alter an image • use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly
Art and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recreate stone-age artwork • explore and evaluate a variety of mediums to create art work inspired by nature
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locate the case studies linked with topic, including Skara Brae and Stonehenge • understand the climates of these locations and the effect on populations
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • examine the chronology of the British Isles • understand the concept of ancient • ask questions about the past • use a range of evidence to find out about the past • discover the history of the British Isles through studying the settlements of Skara Brae and Stonehenge
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football • Hockey (Various skills linked to attack, defence and making decisions)
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise the Roof
Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly Spanish lessons with Dr Johnson

Homework

Homework is a valued and valuable addition to the learning that children do during the day at school, extending and consolidating the children's knowledge, skills and understanding. Children will be expected to complete homework set. Homework will be given to the children on a Friday and needs to be completed and returned to school on the following Thursday.

Year 3 Homework:

- Daily reading aloud to an adult
- A task linked either to learning we have been doing in class or the child's individual needs, set on a Tuesday.
- Weekly spellings set by Mrs Healey (spelling test day on a Thursday)
- Weekly times tables test (times tables test day on a Thursday)

Miss Lamb ☺