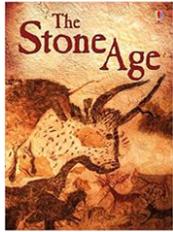


Creeping Through Caves

Autumn Term 2

This topic has been primarily designed to develop the children's understanding of the Stone Age and its impact on Britain. The children will learn about what it was like to live in the Stone Age and will learn about the significance of the 3 different time periods of this era (Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic).



History

Throughout this topic, the children will immerse themselves into the lives of those that lived in the Stone Age by participating in a weekly dress-up day. Each week, the children will focus on a different aspect of the Stone Age and will learn about the skills that people had to acquire during this period. The children will learn about making and using tools, making fires, campfire cooking and how the people from the Stone Age made their own clothes.

Science

In this topic, the children will learn about rocks and fossilisation. They will learn how rocks are formed and will group these rocks accordingly. In addition to this, they will also learn about how skeletons are preserved through the process of fossilisation and will create their own fossils.

English

During this topic the children will be writing and developing their fiction writing by



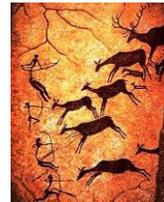
imagining that they are living in the Stone Age. The children will use their first-hand experience to write diary entries as well as short stories inspired by the Stone Age. Also, they will write instructions based on the skills they have learned (e.g. how to build a campfire).

Maths

This half term the children will begin by consolidating and applying our understanding of written methods of addition and subtraction. They will then be focusing on developing multiplication and division skills. The children will be developing their understanding of the 3, 4 and 8 times table and will apply this learning to a number of problem solving and reasoning activities.

Art and DT

In DT, the children will be creating a number of different Stone Age inspired artefacts including fossils and spear heads out of clay. They will also be learning about and recreating cave paintings and will create a class mural in the playground to depict their time in the Stone Age.



Computing

During Computing this half term, the children continue to develop their understanding of how to use continuous loops when creating games on Scratch. In Online Safety lessons, the children will continue to discuss when it is acceptable to submit their personal information online and will apply this to scenarios including entering competitions.

PE

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The children will develop their dance skills by creating a sequence of dance inspired by hunters and gatherers.



Ways to help at home

Please continue to support your child with their weekly homework, spellings and times tables. You can also help your child by encouraging them to read daily. Reading to an adult and discussing a book is really beneficial your child's learning and will help increase their reading stamina.

Important dates

- Every Thursday of each week children to come dressed as members of the Stone Age (**last session 6th December 2018**)
- Christmas play performances take place during the week beginning 17th December 2018)

Reminders

PE: Please can all children have an indoor and outdoor PE kit in school at all times. Both classes will have PE on Wednesday and Friday.

Library day: We will visit the library as a class once a week. However, they are able to change their book at either break or lunch every day. In Year 3 we encourage the children to do this independently.

- Tuesday 3RB
- Wednesday 3SJ

Snack: Please remember to send your child with a healthy snack as these are not provided in Year 3.