

ROCKING THROUGH THE AGES

YEAR 3

AUTUMN TERM 2020



English

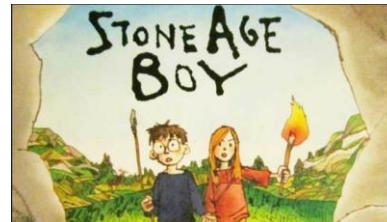
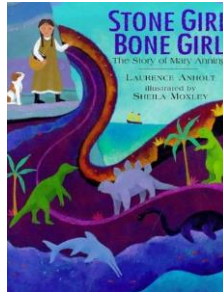
Class Text

We will be using *Stone Age Boy* and *Stone Girl Bone Girl* as the stimulus for much of our English work this term.

How can you help?

Talk to your child about what they are reading. What do they like or dislike about it? What are the themes of the story? Which characters do you like best and why?

Encourage them to use examples from the story itself. E.g. *"I like Mina because she..."*



Assessment

The children will sit a half termly test in reading and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. This will inform future planning and teaching.

We will be writing:

- Adventure stories inspired by *Stone Age Boy*.
- Performance Poetry based on Michael Rosen's *'I was born in the Stone Age'*.
- Learning and recounting the life of Mary Anning through the text *Stone Girl Bone Girl*.
- Exploring different forms of structured poetry.

Maths

Overview

- Place Value
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

How can you help?

Please continue to encourage your child to learn their times tables and associated division facts. E.g $7 \times 2 = 14$, $2 \times 7 = 14$, $14 \div 7 = 2$, $14 \div 2 = 7$

Additionally provide opportunities for your child to apply the skills they are exploring in school by using the column method.

Why not visit these websites at home;

www.myminimaths.co.uk

www.topmarks.co.uk

www.coolmaths4kids.co.uk

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student> (Child will have personal log in)

How do we plan?

We use The White Rose Maths Scheme of Learning alongside other material.



Assessment

The children will sit a half termly test in arithmetic and reasoning skills. This will inform future planning and teaching.

Science



In Science we will be learning about Forces and Magnets; gaining an understanding of what a force is, what forces there are and the impact Sir Isaac Newton had on our knowledge of forces. Children will also be learning about Magnets.

During Autumn 2 children will learn about Rocks and their properties. We will be finding out how rocks form. The children will be observing and comparing rocks based on their appearance and properties. Learning will explore Mary Anning, the formation of fossils, along with erosion and weathering.

We will use our scientific enquiry skills to:

- Plan and conduct investigations using magnets and investigating the properties of different rock types.

How can you help?

www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics

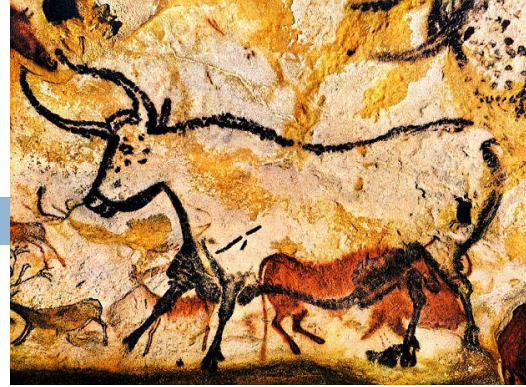
Computing

During Autumn 1 we will be learning to code using the Purple Mash programme.



History

In history, we are exploring life through the ages, from Stone Age to Bronze Age, through to the Iron Age. Within this we will look at key historical events including the discovery of Skara Brae. Children will explore the changes through time and the impact these had on people's lives.



Art and DT

In Art we will be exploring cave paintings with a range of materials, as well as creating Stonehenge silhouettes. Alongside their learning of life in the prehistoric ages children will be creating a class blanket, using their sewing skills, to create warmth as they did in the Iron Age.



RE

In RE, we will be learning about Christmas, the story of the birth of Jesus, and the way in which it is celebrated across the world.

PE

In PE, children will be developing the skills needed in order to be able to throw and catch a ball. This will include playing a variety of ball games.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be looking at New Beginnings, Friendships and Families. In this learning, children will discuss rules, tactics for gaining control of our emotions and learning to listen and respect each other. We will also discuss their feelings about coming back to school after the Covid Lockdown and how this has impacted on their family life.

General Information

Diary Dates

- Settling in phone call week beginning 21st September and 28th September
- Black History Month - October
- Trust Inset Day 2nd November school closed
- Outdoor Learning Day 5th November 2020
- Autumn Term short report 13th November 2020 -follow up phone call if required
- Children in Need Day – 13th November 2020
- St Andrews Day 30th November
- Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day 11th December 2020

Homework

In Year 3, homework is put on the Seesaw programme to complete online on a Friday. It is due in the following Thursday.

Homework consists of 10 spelling words with various spelling activities, a maths activity or reading comprehension set on alternate weeks. Children are also expected to read at home at least three times each week , but if they read 5 times or more they will be rewarded with Dojos.

Please ask your child to seek help from a member of staff if they are having difficulty with their homework.

PE Days

Tuesday and Fridays