



## Curriculum Newsletter for Year 3 Autumn 1 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first half term of the year. This will be a busy half-term for the children; they will be settling into their new classes and getting to know the adults working with them. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE day is Tuesday; please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them. Could you ensure your child has their PE trainers in school every day to use for our daily mile.

Homework will go out Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time.

Our Topic for this half term is Stone Age

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will be learning about the features of fables.

Our grammar focus will be on expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials, as well as building our vocabulary.

Our first core text will be 'Stone Age Boy'.

In Numeracy our key skills focus will be on the four operations, measure, time, number and place value.

Problem solving, challenges, investigations.

Mental arithmetic, times tables, effective methods and strategies.

In Jewish Studies, we will be focussing on the Jewish festivals of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah as well as brushing up on our Tefillah skills.

In Ivrit we will be looking at the topics of 'My family and 'My school' including relevant vocabulary and sentence building.

In PE we will be working on Handball. We will learn and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending.

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In Science we will be looking at Animals including Humans. We will be learning about the different parts of the human body, naming key muscles and parts of the skeletons. They will use this as a context to also develop investigative skills.

In RE, we will learn about Islam, focussing on Haj and the Pilgrimage.

In PSHCE, we will be learning about 'Being Responsible' and to understand that everybody has a role and a responsibility.

In Music, pupils develop the ability to create, perform and analyse short descriptive compositions that combine sounds, movements and words.

In Art we will be looking at landscapes and perspective. The children will be introduced to a number of techniques including sketching and brushstrokes.

In Humanities, our focus is History where we will be looking at artefacts to help us ask questions about the past. We will evaluate the reliability of sources, learn where the Stone Age was by looking at a timeline, discover what life was like for people in this era and learn about Skara Brae - a Stone Age settlement in Britain.

In ICT, we will be using our computing skills to create presentations and to also publish our work. We will also be using ICT tools to research.