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Dear Year 3 Parents

Year 3's next topic is 'Time Warp'. Our topic will be themed around our History work, where we will be focusing on The Stone, Bronze and Iron Age. We will be learning about settlements, tools, clothing and the daily lives of these historical civilisations. We will also be studying Satoshi Kitamura's 'Stone Age Boy' in English lessons whist making cross curricular links in our Art, D&T, Music and Computing lessons. We also be taking a trip back in time and having our own Stone, Bronze and Iron Age day to conclude our History work.

The children really enjoyed our recent Art Skills Day where they used collage skills to create life size people using a range of materials which will create a timeline which will be the centre piece outside of our classroom. The children have also begun to research The Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages and came up with some fantastic facts.

As well as studying Satoshi Kitamura's 'Stone Age Boy', we will also be reading 'The Hodheg' which is written by Dick King-Smith. We will be covering Non-Chronological Reports and Information Texts whilst developing our understanding of sentence structure and inference skills in weekly S.P.A.G. and comprehension lessons. Children will also be revising Phase 5 and 6 of their phonics to ensure any gaps in their knowledge are filled.

In our Maths lessons we will be covering: Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Measurement, Geometry and Shape and Statistics. In addition to these lessons we will continue developing our Mental Maths and Calculation strategies, with a particular focus on application, whilst reinforcing the children's times table knowledge.

In our Science Week, we will be learning about Forces, Magnets and Light in our weekly Science lessons.

In R.E. we will be studying the question, Who was Jesus and why do people follow him?

In our Geography lessons we will be locating the cities, towns and villages in the United Kingdom and comparing their similarities and differences.

Next term children will have a chance to trial for the 'Quad Kids' athletics team which will represent the school. In our P.E. lessons we will be covering O.A.A., Athletics, Net Wall Games and Striking and Fielding, we will also be building up to Sports Day in Summer 2. P.E. will take place on a Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning children will need outdoor kits and trainers for all lessons.

Homework will continue to be given to children on a weekly basis. The children will receive spellings on a Monday which will be tested the following Monday and Maths on a Thursday which will be due in the following Tuesday. Children will continue to be expected to read a minimum of 4 times a week.

I hope that the children are looking forward to the next topic as much as we are.

Finally, have a great Easter break!

Mr Allard & Mrs Joscelyne