

## Year 3 – Autumn 1

### How did life change from Stone Age to Iron Age?

#### Science

The theme for this half term is 'Rocks & Soils'. Children will compare and group rocks based on appearance and simple properties. We will discover how fossils are formed and learn more about the contribution of Mary Anning to the field of palaeontology.

#### PE

The PE focus for this half term is invasion games, including football. Topaz Class will also have a focus on yoga.

#### PE days:

Topaz – Tuesday & Thursday  
Opal – Monday & Thursday

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This half term, our topic in Year 3 will focus on how life changed from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.

We will be reading 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura and writing our own Stone Age stories. We will be looking at ways to extend our sentences, add interesting vocabulary to excite the reader and learn how to use inverted commas.

In the wider curriculum, we will be learning about the history of the first humans, and how they lived and compare it to our lives now. We will learn about Neolithic hunter-gatherers, the growing technology in the Bronze Age and Iron Age hill forts. We will also be studying the prehistoric settlement of Skara Brae.

In D&T, children will be designing and making their own Stone Age tunics, choosing the most suitable materials and practising their sewing skills. In French, we will be beginning our French learning journey with greetings.

#### Wider Curriculum

**Outdoor Learning:** Stone Age Workshop

**Health and Wellbeing:** Skip2Bfit – children will be improving their skipping skills

**Learning Kitchen Focus:** Stewed fruit mini crumble

#### Maths

This half term the focus will be on place value and learning to add and subtract 2-digit numbers using the column method.

We are also focusing on learning our 3 times tables.

#### RE

This half term our key question is 'What makes us human?'. We will be making connections between Christian and Hindu world views. This includes how many religions believe that humans have an immortal soul.