

# Newsletter Term 1 Autumn 2019



## **Welcome back!**

We are really looking forward to an exciting year full of lots of fantastic learning. This term our topic in Year 3 will be 'Stone Age'.

## English

One of the books we will be reading this term is The Three Little Pigs. This is a perfect text to help children in their understanding of how to use story language to re-tell a popular tale. Children will also have the opportunity to re-write the ending using their own creative ideas. The children will be developing techniques such as using fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases and conjunctions.

We look forward to reading high quality texts with the children and developing their inference, comprehension, prediction and summarising skills.

Please try to read with your child daily.

## Science

This term, our science topic is 'Animals, including humans'. Throughout this topic, children will be taught to identify that animals including humans need the right types and amount of nutrition and about balanced diets. We will also be learning about skeletons and muscles and their purpose.

## Topic

This term we will be learning about The Stone Age. We will be discovering fascinating facts about the life of Stone Age people, where they lived, what they ate and what they looked like. We will also learn about the tools and weapons they made and their survival alongside creatures such as the woolly mammoth.

## Maths

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

In Maths we will be focusing on a range of different objectives. We will mainly be looking at Number and Place value, partitioning and ordering 3 digit numbers and adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers. We will also be looking at the properties of 3-D shapes. The children will also be completing a daily Rock Stars times tables test focusing on the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. Please practise at home.



## **PE**

Outdoor PE will be on a Tuesday morning. This term they will be developing a range of different skills and these lessons will be delivered by Fit4Sport. Children will need to wear an appropriate outdoor PE kit (white t-shirt, black or navy joggers, shorts or leggings and no jewellery). When the weather becomes cooler, the children may benefit from having an additional sweatshirt to wear over their PE kit.

### **Key dates this term:**

**Parent coffee morning- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**Parent's evening- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

### **Home learning**

Home learning will be handed out on a Friday and will be expected to be handed in the following Wednesday. Your child will receive one piece of Maths homework and one piece of English homework. We will also be giving out a project related to our topic 'Stone Age' which will be due in on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019. However, home learning projects are welcome at any point throughout the term.

Please continue to practise times tables at home because these are essential skills which will be applied in Maths. Your children can use a free educational Maths game called Hit the Button to practise their times tables on the computer at home.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the day.

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