

# Year 3 Autumn Half Term 2 Parent /Carer Leaflet

The aim of our curriculum is to link much of the work around a theme, which makes learning more exciting and purposeful.

## Mathematics

We will focus on addition and subtraction:

- Adding and subtracting 1s from a 3-digit number crossing a barrier **For example  $503 - 9 =$  or  $699 + 6 =$**
- Adding and subtracting multiples of 10 from any 3-digit number.
- Using the expanded column method to add two 3-digit numbers.
- Using the column subtraction method to subtract two 3-digit numbers
- Solving addition and subtraction problems in a practical context

## Music

We will finish performing music using the Boomwhackers and then begin to explore the glockenspiel. We will also learn about the four musical instrument families. In singing we will practise the Christmas Carol 'Calypso Carol'.

## English Work

In Literacy we will read the book Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura. We will explore the book and pick out facts that we can learn from this fictional book set in the Stone Age. We will use the book to build towards eventually retelling the story using powerful adjectives, adverbs and conjunctions. After exploring Stone Age Boy we will read and enjoy the classic poem, 'Twas The Night Before Christmas'. We will use this poem as inspiration for a setting description of a snowy night and seeing a strange figure come down our chimney.

## French

We will learn to:

- To say the numbers 0 to 19
- To understand the numbers 0 to 19
- To say the days of the week

This half term our topic is:  
**How did Britain change from the Stone Age to the Iron Age?**

## P.E

**Indoor:** Symmetry and asymmetry in gymnastics

**Outdoor:** Orienteering and problem solving.

## Creative Carousel

In our different groups we will explore:

- Textiles - making a key ring
- Making our own cave art
- Tones and textures in art work

## Science

**Magnets and Forces.**

Measuring forces and understanding forces in their environment.

What materials do magnets attract and why?

The children will learn about a range of magnets, about their poles and how magnets attract and repel.

## PSHE

**Keeping safe and managing risk.**

**Bullying – See it, Say it, Stop it!**

## RE

How do Jews remember God's covenant with Abraham and Moses?

## For Parents

Please continue to ensure you read with your child at least three times a week and continue to support them with their weekly spellings, MyMaths homework and half termly Homework Challenge. We had some fantastic models and other homework from last half term and well done to our Homework Challenge winners.

## History

This half term the children will have lots of chances to learn about how Britain changed through the three periods of the Stone Age (Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic) and also into the Bronze Age and Iron Age. We will focus in particular on how housing and settlements changed, how tools and weapons changed and how the food they ate changed.