



Year 3 Autumn Newsletter 2018

Welcome to a new school year from all of the Year 3 team. We hope that your child is happy and has settled well into their class. Please feel free to come and see us or give us a call if you have any questions or concerns at any time.

Our Autumn term theme is 'Stone Age Adventure - From the Stone Age to the Iron Age!' During this history based topic, the children will be exploring the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. If you get a chance to take your child to Stonehenge or Danebury Hill Fort, this would be a fantastic learning opportunity outside of school.








There are lots of ways you can support your child's learning at home. Reading regularly is the most important activity a child can do at home with their parents' support. Daily practising of spellings, helping with homework tasks and learning the times tables is also invaluable. If you and your children are eager to do more, we would love to share what they have done with the class e.g. writing a story of their choice, painting, drawing or carrying out some topic based research independently.

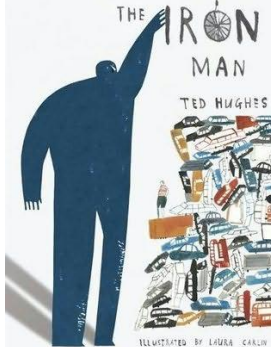





We are very much looking forward to an exciting and busy term.

Mrs Chapman & Mrs Bridle
3CB

Miss Barnett
3B

Mrs Walker & Mrs Gregory
3WG

	<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing instructions: How to trap a woolly mammoth • Writing Stone Age adventure stories# • Information texts about the Stone Age Times 	<p>Maths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place value, numbers to 1000 • Addition and subtraction • Explaining answers • Problem solving and reasoning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practise tables every day to improve speed and accuracy  <p>Y3 focus tables are: 3, 4 and 8 once they are secure with 2, 5 and 10</p>
<p>Science <i>Rocks and soils</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigating different types of rocks • Discovering how rocks become soil • Learning how fossils are formed 	<p>Gym</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travelling safely with control • Rolling and jumping • High and low movements • Narrow and wide shapes 	<p>Art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create our own cave paintings based on those discovered in the Lascaux Caves • Charcoal and chalk drawings to create prehistoric style art 	<p>RE <i>Hinduism</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring our perceptions of good and evil and its links to the festival of Diwali
	<p>stone Age Adventure</p>		
<p>PSHE <i>Settling in</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belonging • self-awareness • feelings • making appropriate choices 		<p>Games</p> <p>Tag Rugby</p>	<p>Music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This half term we will be learning to play the ukelele
	<p>French</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple greetings • Information about ourselves 	<p>Computing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the internet safely • Researching information on the internet • Using word to create a factsheet 	

	<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play Scripts • Persuasive writing based on the book study of The Iron Man by Ted Hughes • Shape poetry 	<p>Maths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place value • Explaining and reasoning • Addition & subtraction • Multiplication & division 	
<p>Science <i>Forces and Magnets</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigating magnetic materials • Exploring pushes and pulls as forces 	<p>Dance Choreographing in groups a Stone Age fire dance</p>	<p>DT Textiles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sewing Celtic pouches • Dyeing wool with vegetables 	<p>RE <i>Imagery</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring how angels are important in the nativity • Discuss how angels are portrayed
	<p>From the stone Age to the Iron Age</p>		
<p>PSHE <i>Getting on and Falling out</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring friendships • Resolving conflict 	<p>Gym Continue developing the movement of our bodies with a focus on apparatus</p>	<p>Games Football</p> 	<p>Music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing ukulele lessons • Singing for the Christmas concert
	<p>French</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colours and numbers • Finger rhymes and songs 	<p>Computing <i>Publishing and Creating</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing keyboard skills • Learning how to save and use the school network 	<p>History <i>The Iron Age</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparing the Iron Age to the Stone Age and the modern world

Reminders

Reading Logs & Reading Books - in school and taken home every day. Please ensure you read with your child at least five times a week. Please could either you or your child write a comment about what they have read. There are some tips on the inside cover to help with questioning your child when reading.

PE Lessons - these are on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Please bring full PE kits to school on a Monday and take them home on a Friday. Your children may also take part in extra PE or run their Golden Mile, so it is essential that kits are available **every day**. Hair bands must be provided for long hair. Children with pierced ears must remove earrings or cover them with tape independently.

Book Bags - please ensure bags are either a St Mark's bag or one of equal size so they fit in our classrooms!

Homework - homework will be sent home on a Thursday. It should be returned to school by the following Tuesday. If your child has difficulties completing it please ask them to see their class teacher or drop in for more information.

Spellings - will be sent home on a Monday, please look at the words together and practise every day.

Water Bottles and coats - please ensure these are brought to school each day and are named.

Snacks - in Key Stage 2, children need to bring their own snack from home to eat at break time; this must be a fruit or vegetable snack.

Please see our website for further information:



www.stmarksprimary.net

