

Maths this term we will focus on place value. Children will build on their knowledge of tens and ones with the introduction of hundreds. Through the use of practical resources we will represent, compare and order numbers to 1000. Once we are secure in our place value knowledge we will move onto strategies used to solve addition and subtraction calculations including apparatus, number lines and the column method.

Within **Times Tables** lessons this half term, children will recap and consolidate the multiplication and division facts which they learned in year 2 – the twos, fives and ten times tables.

In **Science** children will have the opportunity to investigate and observe rocks in order to group them based on their appearance and simple properties. Everyone will have the chance to make their own 'fossil' to help them understand how fossils are formed.

Our **RE** will involve reading the story of Rama and Sita and discussing how this demonstrates to Hindu's about good and evil. We will continue to teach the **HeartSmart** principles through our class worships and everyday opportunities that arise.



This term, Year 3 will explore the big question...

‘Why do we live differently to our ancestors?’

During our **English** lessons we will complete sentence stacking lessons based on the book Stone Age Boy. We will build up the skills we need to write our own version of the story and the children will have an opportunity to plan, draft and edit their work. We will then work on writing instructions for washing a Woolly Mammoth!

In **Bookclub**, we will be studying a fiction, non-fiction and poetry text. All three of these link to a shared theme of perseverance. Within each mini-unit, we will work on developing children's skills of reading aloud, understanding specific vocabulary and characters.

PE will take place on Mondays and Thursdays. Footwork, such as skipping and pivoting, will be a focus this half term. They will then apply these skills to basketball. The children will also develop their passing and shooting skills before utilising these within a game. Please ensure your child is wearing their PE kit on their set days.

After researching cave **Art** by looking at the work of 'The Lion Man, The First Artist' the children will use a range of materials to create their own version. They will experiment mixing colours to create different shades of brown and explore how they can create different textures and effects through drawing and painting.

Children will be taking part in 'Listen to Me' **Music** lessons every week. We are focussing on learning how to play the ukulele ready to perform in a concert for you at the end of term.

Our **History** this term will involve the children becoming 'archaeologists' and examining artefacts and photos to help them learn how people lived in prehistoric times.

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