Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a fantastic summer break. It is so nice to have the children back and ready to learn. The classroom has been filled with smiles and laughter this week and it is so lovely to see. We have lots of exciting new topics to explore and I think the children are really going to enjoy learning all about the Stone Age!

Homework will start next week. Maths will be given out every Friday in the yellow homework books and should be returned by the following Wednesday. Spellings will be set on Purple Mash every Friday to be completed by the following Friday. Reading books will also be issued every Friday and should be returned by the following Thursday/Friday to be changed. If the children have really enjoyed a particular book and would like to recommend it to the class, they can take a book review home to complete and return it to school to share. It was lovely to see so many reviews by the children last year!

Please see the following information outlining the curriculum for this half term.

# <u>Maths</u>

The children will focus on place value and addition and subtraction.

- Y3 Recognise the place value of each digit in a 3-digit number (100s, 10s, 1s) Y4 Place value of four-digit numbers (1,000s, 100s, 10s, and 1s)
- Compare and order numbers up to 1,000
- Find 1,000 more or less than a given number
- Order and compare numbers beyond 1,000
- Add and subtract numbers with up to 3 digits (Y3) and 4 digits (Y4), using formal written methods of column addition and subtraction
- Estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers

## English

I am very excited about our new class novel 'The Wild Way Home'. It links to our Stone Age topic and is full of adventures! The children will be writing a setting description, character description, news report and create their own exciting stories as they go back in time to the Stone Age. The children will also learn a range of grammar and spelling, which they will apply to their writing on a weekly basis.

### Science

Our topic is Animals Including Humans. The children will learn how animals and humans need the right nutrition from food. They will look at the human skeleton and why some animals have skeletons for support and protection.

## Computing

Our first topic will be all about online safety. The children will learn how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly.

## History

We will be learning all about the Stone Age. The children will learn about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to Iron Age.

#### Music:

Our music topic is Interesting Time Signatures. We will be looking at how music brings us together.

# <u>P.E.</u>

PE will be every Monday and Friday. Please ensure the children are wearing a full PE kit for their PE sessions. The children will participate in games on a Monday and gymnastics sessions with a PE coach every Friday. No jewellery to be worn on PE days.

## R.E.

This half term our topic is What do Hindus believe? The children will be learning how and why Hindus celebrate Diwali.

### Spanish

The children will be learning greetings this half term. They will also learn numbers 1-50 in songs and rhyme.

## DT

The children will make a Stone Age purse using natural dyes. They will develop their sewing skills.

This half term our topic is 'Me and my relationships'.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Mowbray



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