



Dear Children, parents and carers,

Welcome back! We hope you have had an exciting Christmas and haven't broken your New Year's resolutions yet! Thank you for the lovely gifts we received we really appreciate your kindness.

This term our topic is history based and we will be studying the **Stone Age**. This links to our Science, **rocks and soils** topic and also our English where we will be reading a non-fiction text – **a pebble in my pocket**. Mrs Bond will continue to teach on a Friday. We also welcome Mrs Fawkes, a trainee teacher, who is joining us for the Spring term. Please introduce yourselves to her on the playground so she can get to know you all.

Home Learning

You will receive a new Home Learning brochure with tasks linked to our topic until half term.

Children will continue to be tested on their spellings every Friday and the words they are expected to learn for their year group. Spellings will be given out every week for your children to practise at home.

In addition to weekly home learning, we expect all children to:

- Read daily (with an adult or independently)
- Practise times tables, with division facts in a mixed order, up to 12 x 12 (www.multiplication.com and 'hit the button' are great websites for this)

Request: **Please can Maths homework be completed in pencil and not pen. It looks so much neater!**

Mathletics

Well done to all the children who have been making a real effort to use Mathletics; I am seeing much improved usage. I have set more multiplication and division tasks for those who have completed those set.

I am regularly unlocking topics for children to access and setting tasks to be completed. Please encourage your child to make use of this fantastic resource which the school pays for on your behalf.

General Reminders...

PE

For the Spring term PE will now be on **Monday afternoon**

Forest School sessions:

Year 3 on **January 17th** & **February 20th** (after half term)

Labels

Please can you make sure your child has a **labelled water bottle** in school each day. At the end of term I had 12 unclaimed and unlabelled bottles! The children often have very similar bottles and are clearly finding it hard to identify their own at the end of the day.

A lot of clothing is also left daily in the cloakroom. Some of it is missing labels and children are often failing to recognise their own clothing. Please can you check your child's clothing and label any that is missing their name. This would be a great help.



Class 3 Topic Overview Term 3

Subject	Year 3
Themes	The Stone Age
Christian Value	Perseverance
English	Information texts Story writing
Maths	Multiplication & Division Money
Science	Rocks and Soil
History	The Stone Age
R.E.	Jesus' Miracles
Art & Design	Cave art & rock paperweights (Shine Enterprise)
Design Technology	Design Leaders competition
P.E.	Mr Tanner
Music	Recorders
P.H.S.C.E.	
French	Colours
Wow Events	
Assembly for Parents	
Community Links	
SMSC Social Moral Spiritual and Cultural	Forest School Mindfulness with Ms Tromans