



# Year 3 News



## Welcome back Year 3!

Half term seemed to fly by and we're back raring to go! The children have settled straight back into Year 3. They are consistently showing our school ethos statement of **Motivation + Perseverance = Success** and our school values - The Methley Magic 5!

**Motivation, Perseverance, Respect, Collaboration and Communication.**

**PE** Please ensure that long hair is tied back and earrings are taken out on the morning of PE.

On indoor PE days, shorts must be worn for the session, please. Now that the weather is colder, children may wear tracksuit bottoms and change into the shorts, or wear shorts under the tracksuit bottoms and take off the bottoms before PE.

## English

As writers, we will be learning how to punctuate speech as part of our unit on Journey Tales.

As readers, we will be using the text, 'Stone Age Boy' to continue to develop our VIPERS skills. We will then move to non-fiction texts linked to our History topic.

Our whole class reader is Stig Of The Dump- we are enjoying seeing how it links to the Stone Age this term!

## Maths

As mathematicians, we will be developing on our year 2 knowledge to help us deepen our understanding of addition and subtraction. We will be furthering our understanding of key number facts and how we can use these to help us with more complex calculations. As mathematicians, we will also be exploring 3 digit numbers and reasoning problems. Within our maths unit we will be reintroducing the commutative properties of addition and how this relates to subtraction calculations too.

## Music

3GG are continuing to enjoy their weekly violin sessions with Miss Pearson. This will continue until February half term. 3BS have completed their Charanga unit on friendship and have started a new unit on improvisation, entitled, "What stories can music tell us about the past?"

## Topic

As historians, we will be considering the Stone Age. We will consider what we mean by 'our earliest ancestors' and how life would have been different. An important concept will be the idea of prehistory and 'how do we know?'

As artists, we have considered how people in the Stone Age would have created their cave art. We have used natural resources and careful observation create shade and texture in animal sketches.

As theologians, we will be considering the beliefs and practices of Judaism.

As linguists, we will be learning Spanish colours, fruit and other food items and consolidating last term's learning. We will also be considering singular and plural forms.

As citizens, we will be considering identity, society and democracy.

In computing, we will be investigating simulations and considering their advantages and disadvantages.

Indoor PE is gymnastics and outdoor is Invasion Games.

## Helping at Home

Please do continue to use Class Dojo to communicate with class teachers and keep an eye on what we are learning. Please continue to use Spelling Shed and other programs such as Hit The Button.

## Key Dates

Training day Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November. Term ends Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.