



Our Year 3 Classroom News

Spring Term Information

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Welcome

We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break and are looking forward to another busy and exciting term. As you know, we said goodbye to Miss Pearson at the end of the last term, but we say hello to Miss Taylor. If you need to discuss anything with your child's class teacher we are available after school and we always welcome the chance to meet with you.

Miss Taylor, Miss Raisey, Miss Mansfield and the team

Our Topic



We will be kick starting the New Year with our Spring topic 'The Savage Stone Age'. We will be looking at how people lived and survived in the Stone Age (as well as showing comparisons between the Stone Age, the Iron Age and the Bronze Age). We will be looking at the dates of different time periods on a timeline and discovering how long ago an event took place. We will be investigating what people in the Stone Age would eat and how they would gather their food. This will include tasting some examples of food and making their own hunting tools! This will be embedded in our PE lessons where we will be working on fitness to become good hunters.

In English, we will be reading **Stone Age Boy** and we will be writing to entertain. We will firstly be writing a setting description of a Stone Age dwelling. Then we will be focusing on a historical narrative.

In Maths, we will be focusing on consolidating place value and formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Alongside this we will be focusing on money, perimeter, statistics and fractions.

In Science, we will be investigating the properties of rocks and how fossils are formed overtime, as well as looking at different soil types. After that we will then be looking at 'Animals including Humans'. This includes how to keep ourselves healthy, investigating which foods are nutritious and learning about the human body.

Things to Remember

PE and Swimming:

Year 3 PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays. The children will need their outdoor kit on a Tuesday and they will need indoor PE kit on a Thursday. Please send your child to school dressed in their outdoor PE kit on Tuesdays.

The table below shows which term each class has their swimming lessons.

Year 3 Swimming Lessons	
Charing Cross	Wednesday PM - Autumn term
Victoria	Wednesday PM - Spring term
Canary Wharf	Wednesday PM - Summer term

Homework:

- **Reading Journals** – You must read everyday for twenty minutes and also complete one reading journal entry per week.
- **Times Tables** - Every week the children will complete a times table page in their books.



Important Dates

7 th Jan	Children back to school
11 th Jan	Launch Day (dress up day)
16 th and 17 th Jan	Parents Evenings
15 th Feb	Break up for half term
25 th Feb	Back to school
7 th March	World Book Day (dress up day)
5 th April	Break up for Easter

6 th March	Charing Cross class assembly
8 th May	Victoria class assembly