

Year 3/4 Autumn Term 2016

Who were the first people to live in Britain?



R.E

The children will be learning about Christian beliefs and lifestyles, exploring the importance of Christian figures and how Christian beliefs and practices impact on believers' lives.

P.E

This term the focus is invasion games and dance.

PE days are as follows:

Dahl: Tuesday & Wednesday Blyton: Monday & Wednesday King Smith: Monday & Wednesday

PE Kits (inc. trainers) needs to be in school every day.

PHSE & SEAL

We are looking at New Beginnings to help the children become settled into their new classes, focussing on developing the skills to build new friendships and maintain existing ones. Later, we will look at bullying and how to resolve conflicts when we fall out.

Home Learning

Home learning is intended to provide practise to support ongoing class work and is usually given out on a **Wednesday** and is due back in on **Monday**. The Home Learning project will allow children to choose an aspect of Prehistoric life to research further. Details to follow shortly.

History Topic

This topic will provide an interesting insight into the life and impression left by people from prehistoric times. We will be developing historical enquiry skills which will enable the children to answer many of their fantastic questions. Starting with our Flag Fen trip, we will examine archaeological evidence and carry out research to gain an understanding of life from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. The children will learn about the importance of archaeology and experience what life may have been like in a Bronze Age roundhouse. Using different sources of information to find out about lifestyles, the children will make comparisons between the first people to live in Britain and people living today.

Computing

To help the children research independently, we will be teaching them how to search for information efficiently, effectively and safely. In addition, we will be learning to use iMovie to create a multimedia presentation to showcase what they have learned through our history topic.

Art

We will be practising our colour mixing skills and looking at warm and cool colours and the moods these create in a piece of artwork reflecting different times of day at Stonehenge.

English

We will be exploring information texts to help us write our own information leaflet about Flag Fen. All of the children will be developing their skills to retrieve and infer information to answer auestions and their understanding of a text. Spelling lessons, will focus on the rules and patterns the children need to practise. While grammar lessons will help the children to improve their writing and editing skills.

Maths

Number and place value in our key focus this term. We will be making sure the children are secure in using a range of calculation methods to solve problems. To support this we will be working on our quick recall of number facts through Big Maths.

Science

Initially, we will become rock and soil detectives, examining different types of rock and soil to identify properties and investigate them.

After half term, we will explore and investigate how shadows are made as well as learning how our eyes enable us to see.

You can help your child by:

Making sure they read regularly; practise their spellings, tables and Learn Its, and complete their homework in the time given. Please also make sure your child has appropriate PE kit in school.