

St. Swithun's: Year 3/4 Curriculum Map – Autumn 2 . Topic: The Stone Age

This term, we will be continuing with our Stone Age unit. We are excited to welcome a historian to host a Stone Age Day. We will all be dressing up! Look out for dates in the Newsletter for class assemblies, parent workshops and theme days!

<p>English</p> <p>For writing, our key text is The Chronicles of Narnia. We will be learning about the evacuation of the four children to the country side and the incredible, magic world they discover when they go through the wardrobe. We will be using this text to help us write character descriptions, setting descriptions and diary entries. Our grammar focus will be using conjunctions (and, because, when, while, although, but), fronted adverbials and consolidating our understand of punctuating speech.</p> <p>In reading, we will be looking at Treasure Island. We will be using this book to develop our skills of understanding words in context, drawing inference, evaluating, clarifying and retrieving information. This comical book will help us to form opinions about a text and state our thoughts about a book, giving reasons for these. Children will also continue to read in their banded levels and progress through these with access to all the new books in our updated school library. Exciting!</p>	<p>Art & Design</p> <p>Design and Technology focus this half term.</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>In Computing we will be reviewing the key rules to staying safe online. We will be looking at how we game safely and the importance of privacy and not sharing information. After, we will be looking at how computers and technology can be used to represent data.</p>
<p>Mathematics</p> <p>In maths, we will start with a week of recapping and building on our place value knowledge up to 10,000. We will be practicing ordering, comparing and rounding these numbers to a given number.</p> <p>Next, we will be looking at multiplication and division. First, we will understand the concepts, before developing our recall of different times table facts. After, we will learn about the relationship between multiplication and division and how to use formal methods of both in order to solve larger calculations.</p> <p>Finally, we will learn the names and properties of regular shapes and polygons.</p>	<p>Design & Technology</p> <p>We will be learning how to sew this term! We will be learning a range of basic stitches (running and back) in order to design and create our own cave men tool belts. We will first learn to sew using binker before moving to more complex materials. We will be thinking about the different tools cavemen had and how we can attach and fit these.</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>History Focus this half term.</p>
<p>Science</p> <p>Electricity We will learn about which object use electricity. Next, we will learn how to construct simple circuits and the names of all the components. We will be using switches, lamps and buzzers to create simple series circuits. We will also be investigation common insulators and conductors. In addition to this, we will be learning about safety when using electricity.</p>	<p>History</p> <p>We will be learning about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age through to the Iron Age. Then we will include looking at late Neolithic hunter gatherers and early farmers such as Skara Brae. Next, we will look at the Bronze Age where we will learn about religion, technology and travel. We will also be looking at Stone Henge and considering what historians can learn about civilisations from what was left behind. Finally, we will learn about Iron Age hill forts: tribal kingdoms, farming, art and culture.</p>	<p>Modern Languages</p> <p>In French we will be learning our numbers up to 60 and how to describe our age and other people's ages. We will also be learning colours.</p>
	<p>Physical Education</p> <p>In PE we will be practicing some simple Cealidh dances, learning to work as a team. We will also be focusing on Invasion Games on the playground such as hockey and football. Children will learn the skills before having a chance to play these.</p>	<p>Music</p> <p>The children will be writing and performing their own made up Christmas song. We will look at the different styles of Christmas songs and use these as our inspiration.</p>
		<p>Religious Education</p> <p>This term, we will start by looking at the Catholic keys. These are different tools we can use to help us tackle a range of situations we may come across.</p> <p>Later, we will be looking at Advent and how we can prepare for Jesus' return alongside the symbols for this time of year.</p>

Exciting beginnings / events/ theme days/ trips / visitors

Stone Age Day

Vocab generating experience

Parent workshop- Support your child's writing at home.

Text, videos, music, pictures to ensure experiences of rich and varied literary heritage

The Chronicles of Narnia

The Lion, the Witch and The Wardrobe

PSHE / British Values

This term we will be focusing on relationships. We will be learning to make healthy relationships, how to maintain good friendships, how our actions affect others, the difference between acceptable and unacceptable physical contact