Lakeside News!

Year 3 | Autumn Term 2

Message from the class teachers:

We would like to say how pleased we are with the fantastic start the children have made this year. They have settled well into their new routines, shown enthusiasm for their learning, and worked incredibly hard across all areas of the curriculum.
We are very much looking forward to the second half of the autumn term and beginning our new topic 'Stones n Bones' based on The Stone Age.

Key dates this term:
4.11.26 – Parent consultations
5.11.26 – Remembrance Day Crafternoon at 2.15pm
10.11.26 – Stones and Bones WOW day
10.12.26 – Year 3 Christmas Concert at 2.45pm
15.12.26 - Christmas fair from 3pm
18.12.26 – Break up for Christmas
04.01.27 – Return to school



Our topic this half term is... 'The Stone Age'



We will be learning about the 3 periods of the Stone Age – Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic.
The Stone Age is within the prehistoric era on the timeline.
Achievements of Prehistoric humans include: farming, creating fire, making stone and wood tools, pottery, building the first houses, inventing wheels to transport things, and taming horses to ride.

The **Crucial Curriculum Content** for this topic is:

- To know when the Stone Age was (ended in 3,300 B.C) and where it would be placed on a timeline of key events in British History.
- To know the achievements of prehistoric humans and the impact they have had.
- To describe what life was like for prehistoric humans.

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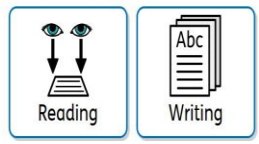
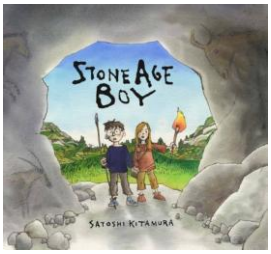
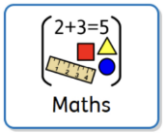
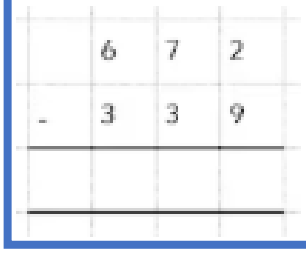




Reading: We will be reading a variety of texts based around The Stone Age including Stone Age Boy and an information text on Skara Brae. The reading skills we will be continuing to focus on are retrieval (finding the answer in the text) and inference (using clues from the text to help us answer a question) as well as making links between the different texts.
Writing: We will be writing a setting description of a cave thinking about what we might see, hear, smell and touch. We will also be writing a diary entry pretending to be the Stone Age boy as well as an information text on Skara Brae.



This half term, we will be continuing with our learning on addition and subtraction using 3 digit numbers. The children will learn how to use the column method to add and subtract and will move on to exchanging into tens and hundreds.



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We will be regularly practising our x10, x5 and x2 times tables as well as focusing learning x3 and x4 - please practise counting ins 3s and 4s with your child as this will really help them when learning their times tables.

This half term we will fulfil the Harmony Pledge by....

1. Be safe, healthy and happy
2. Be a fundraiser
3. Be a performer
4. Be an eco-warrior
5. Be respectful
6. Be a volunteer
7. Be democratic
8. Be an adventurer
9. Be an expert learner
10. Be workwise

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Science	We will be learning about plants. We will recap the names for parts of the plants and carry out some experiments to find out what a plant needs to survive and how water is transported.
music	We will be learning how to sing and move. Sing songs with attention to expression and dynamics, following the conductor's cues. Then Perform actions with accuracy and confidence.
PE	We will be learning how to play a variety of games using a net and wall in pairs and small groups. We will also be learning to express ourselves through dance.
PSHE	We will be learning about healthy lifestyles including the importance of exercise, hygiene and eating healthily.
RE	The key questions we will be focusing on is: What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today? We will discuss how Christians show their faith in different ways.
Computing	This half term, the children will be able to take their iPads home (if permission has been given). We will be discussing how to stay safe online and learning about branching databases.
Art	To link to our topic, we will be learning different techniques with charcoal and using this to create our own whole class piece of cave art.

