



Team: Year 3

Term: Autumn 2023

Welcome back to Beechwood and to Year 3's Autumn term!

We are looking forward to starting some exciting new units of work!

Please continue to support your child at home and encourage them to read as much as possible. Homework will go out every Friday and is due by the following Wednesday. Reading books will be changed when needed each week, please have books and reading records in each day.

History and Geography

Our topic for the term is '**The Stone Age and rocks**,' learning all about this long-lasting prehistoric time period in The UK.

We will learn about how they lived and survived, looking closely and thinking about the clues they left behind.

The Stone Age will be our theme for the term and will therefore also link in with our work in many other subjects, including learning about rocks and volcanoes in science and geography.

Maths

We will be covering the following units:

**Place Value**

100s, 10s and 1s, comparing and ordering numbers, estimating, counting in multiples.

**Addition and Subtraction**

Mental strategies, 2 and 3-digit numbers, formal methods, crossing 10s and 100s boundaries, estimating answers.

Art and DT

The children will be given the opportunity to discover and develop a range of techniques. We will make and paint models of Stonehenge and have a go at our own Cave Paintings.

Our investigation will be into how they moved the stones to create Stonehenge.

## Year 3 Autumn Overview



French

Bonjour! The children will work on their French greetings and basic conversation this term. They will cover numbers and places.

English

We will begin each day with whole class reading, starting with *Life in The Stone Age* and *Stone Age Boy*, as well as various texts to enrich vocabulary.

Our first unit is Adventure Stories, where we will explore the language and structures of exciting stories. We will then move on to information texts and poetry. Key Spellings and handwriting will also be a regular class focus.

PSHE

We will continue to follow the Jigsaw programme, with the unit '**Being Me in My World**.' This will cover rights, responsibilities, choices and consequences.

RE

This term, the children will be learning about the beliefs and festivals of **Hinduism**.

Computing

In computing we will be looking at digital devices and how they work. We will also be talking about interacting safely online.

PE/Games

We have outdoor PE on a Wednesday, working on **Fundamental PE skills**, and Indoor PE on Thursday where we will be doing **Fitness activities**.

Science

Our topic this term is **Rocks**. The children will learn to compare and group materials.

We look forward to discovering about fossils as we learn how things that have previously lived can be trapped within rock.