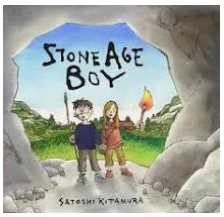
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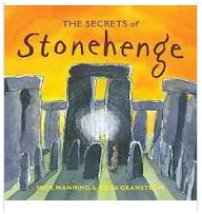
St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

'Creating new possibilities for our future, with compassion in our hearts and courage on our journey.'

Autumn 2 - Learning Overview

Text Drivers





Stone Age Boy & Stonehenge
Outcome 1 : Narrative
Outcome 2: Information leaflet

What we will be teaching:

English:

This half term in English, Year 3 will be exploring *Stone Age Boy* to inspire their own narratives and *Stonehenge* to create informative leaflets. The class will revisit key Year 2 grammar skills, including adjectives, prepositions and the four sentence types: statements, questions, commands and exclamations.

The children will build on their learning by using a wider range of conjunctions, such as *when, if, because* and *although*, to create sentences with more than one clause. They will also use adverbs and prepositions to express time, place and cause, while developing their vocabulary by choosing more specific and effective words to make their writing engaging and precise.

Maths:

In Maths, Year 3 will develop their multiplication and division skills by solving problems using the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables. The children will explore fractions, learning to compare and order fractions with the same denominator and recognise equivalent fractions. The class will also focus on measurement, learning to measure and compare length and mass, as well as telling the time to the nearest five minutes. In geometry, they will identify and describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

History/Geography:

Year 3 will be learning about the Stone Age, placing this period on a timeline to develop their understanding of chronology. The children will explore how people lived during the Stone Age and compare their homes, food and daily lives with life today. The class will also investigate important Stone Age monuments, including Stonehenge, and consider what these structures can tell us about the people who built them and their way of life.

Science:

This half term in Science, Year 3 will be learning about rocks, fossils and soils. Children will explore different types of rocks, compare their properties, and investigate how rocks are used in everyday life. They will also learn about how fossils are formed and discover that soil is made from tiny pieces of rock and organic

matter.

ART/DT:
In Art, Year 3 will explore Stone Age art by creating their own cave drawings using charcoal, experimenting with lines, shading and texture to recreate prehistoric artwork. The children will also design and make Stone Age human sculptures using pipe cleaners, developing their creativity and understanding of shape, form and structure.

RE:
In RE, Year 3 will explore the theme of angels, focusing on how they are represented through imagery in Christianity and what they symbolise. The children will consider how angels appear in biblical stories and how they communicate messages from God, linking to our golden thread of exploring what makes people and things special.

Computing:
In Computing, the children will explore stop-motion animation. They will plan their own animations, thinking carefully about characters, settings and the sequence of events. They will learn how to capture a series of still images and combine them to create the illusion of movement, developing their creativity, digital skills and understanding of how animations are made.

PE:
In PE, Year 3 will develop their netball skills, focusing on passing, catching, moving into space and working as part of a team. The children will also explore Stone Age-inspired dance, using different movements, gestures and rhythms to create and perform sequences that reflect life in the Stone Age.

French:
In French, Year 3 will learn how to greet others and introduce themselves using simple French phrases. The children will practise asking and responding to questions such as *Bonjour* (hello), *Comment ça va ?* (how are you?) and *Au revoir* (goodbye), as well as learning to recognise, say and use numbers in French to build their confidence in speaking and listening.

PDL:
In PDL, Year 3 will explore the theme of valuing differences. The children will discuss how everyone is unique, recognising and celebrating differences in people's backgrounds, interests, abilities and beliefs. The class will develop their understanding of respect, kindness, inclusion and empathy, learning how to appreciate others and build positive relationships.

Music:
In Music, Year 3 will explore the song *You Gotta Try*, developing their ability to perform simple rhythmic and melodic patterns accurately and expressively. The children will practise rehearsing and performing confidently as part of an ensemble, using both their voices and instruments while developing their listening skills, musical confidence and teamwork.

Messages to parents:

Remember to check the St John's jottings weekly for dates of upcoming events in school. This is emailed each Friday and is designed to keep our community up-to-date on important events in school.
Keep in Touch : year_3@stjohnthebaptistprimary.co.uk
Thank you for your support with the homework tasks. The response has been fantastic.