



Year 3 Autumn 1 2026-2027

What was life like in the Stone Age?

English

Fiction unit: 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura

During this topic we will be writing our own adventure story. We will revisit Year 2 areas of punctuation and grammar, introduce prepositions and use a range of prefixes.

Non - Fiction: 'Malala's Magic Pencil' by Malala Yousafzai

Throughout this topic we will learn about the features of an explanation text and then write our own.

Poetry: Autumn is Here

We will recap our knowledge of poetic features, develop our confidence with speaking clearly and confidently and use our oracy skills.

SPAG: Year 2 areas of revision: Capital letters and full stops, commas to separate items in a list, coordinating and subordinating conjunctions, past and present tense, possessive apostrophes, question marks and exclamation marks.

History

Pupils will investigate:

- The chronology of the Stone Age - when was it?
- Life in the Stone Age - housing, food, homes, crafts
- How was life different to how we live today?
- Comparing homes in warmer and cooler climates during the Stone Age.
- What is Skara Brae, where is it located and what can we learn from it?



Welcome to Year 3!

We hope you have had a lovely summer holiday and are looking forward to Year 3. This term we are going to travel back in time to the Stone Age and learn all about what life was like then!



Science - Rocks

Pupils will study different types of rocks. They will compare and group together different kinds of rock on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. They will also describe how fossils are formed and recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

Maths

In maths this term pupils will learn about number and place value. Pupils will be taught to:

- count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100; find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number
- recognise the place value of each digit in a 3-digit number (100s, 10s, 1s)
- compare and order numbers up to 1,000
- identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations
- read and write numbers up to 1,000 in numerals and in words
- solve number problems and practical problems involving these ideas.

Computing

Children will learn about:

- ★ Logging in
- ★ ChromeBook
- ★ E-Safety
- ★ Connecting computing networks.



Home Learning

We encourage all children to read as much as possible, both at school and at home. Each week, pupils will be allocated a reading scheme book and a library book to read every night. Please listen to your child read regularly and write a comment in their reading record every week.

Each week we will also set an additional task. This will either be a maths or e English focused task and these will be posted on Google Classroom every Friday.

PSHE

Our unit this half term is called 'How can I be a good friend?'. We will look at what makes a good friendship and how good friendships can help us to feel better. We will also look at recognising if a friendship is making us unhappy and what to do if you have fall out with a friend.

MFL/French

Jouons - Let's play!

A simple introduction to number and greetings through playground games and action rhymes.

- I can introduce myself.
- I can confidently use numbers up to 20 in typical French playground games.

Useful Websites:

www.letterjoin.co.uk - username: light password: shine - useful to practise joined up writing

www.school360.co.uk - children will have their own log-in to School 360. There are lots of good links to Maths/Literacy Games and they can also 'spend' the points they win in school on customising their avatars.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

<https://school360.co.uk/resourcespage/index.php>

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 22nd September - Full photograph day
w/c 12th October 2026 - Parent evening meetings
w/c 19th October 2026 - Harvest Festival Performances
Friday 23rd October 2026 - Teacher Training - School closed
Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October - Half term
Monday 2nd November 2026 - Teacher Training - School closed

Art

Pupils will be learning about Stone Age art and cave paintings.

PE

Pupils will be taking part in invasion games. The children will learn attacking and defending principles.

Worship and RE



In RE this term pupils will be learning: What is the Trinity and why is it important for Christians?

Worship:

Throughout the year, children will participate in school, key stage and class worship. They will be encouraged to plan and lead worship regularly.

Things to remember:

Reading Record and Water bottle



PE days- Rowan - Monday and Wednesday
Chestnut - Monday and Wednesday

Our Year 3 Staff:

Chestnut Class - Mrs Sinnamon
Rowan Class - Mr McDermott
Miss Nelmes and Miss Mulcock