

CURRICULUM LETTER

BLUE CLASS YEAR 3 AND 4

WHO WAS HERE FIRST?

Welcome to an amazing year of challenge, expectation and wonder as our new learning adventure is set to inspire, excite and WOW ! We will delve into prehistoric life to explore the world of Stone Age, Iron Age and Bronze Age people.

We will explore key questions such as: 'How did the different ages occur?' and 'How do we know about prehistory?' We are looking forward to an archaeological dig, using our own home made tools!

English work will be linked closely to our learning adventure.



We will be exploring, writing and developing our stories linked to creation stories from different cultures. Following our trip, we will be writing reports and researching different types of rock.

Please continue to encourage your children at home by ensuring that they read at least four times each week and help them to learn their weekly spellings, your support is invaluable!

Our Harry Potter Spelling and Reading challenges will continue with spelling certificates and rewards for reading – please ensure that you sign your child's Home School Record!

Mathematics will build on the children's previous knowledge and understanding, focussing on place value and the four operations to begin with and developing problem solving skills. For our year 4 pupils, the big challenge will be learning ALL the times tables up to 12x12 by the end of the year. For year 3, we will focus on the 2,5 and 10 times tables to begin with, moving onto the 3 and 4 times tables. If your children can use Mathletics and Times Table Rockstars online, please encourage them to do so, as this will really support their learning!

Science will focus on Rocks and Soils, to begin with, then Animals and Humans before looking at states of matter. Our trip to the National Stone Centre will be amazing - and we are look forward to using our new STEM Science Room!

Art work will begin with cave drawings and developing sketches.

PE this term will include the opportunity for Year 4 pupils to visit the Table Tennis Centre, where they will receive coaching from experts! This is a regular treat for our Year 4 pupils, and during this time, the Year 3 pupils will join the rest of Year 3 to take part in indoor PE activities. As a class, we will also be taking part in Yoga/ Pilates lessons this term.

There will be alternate **French** and **Music** lessons, which aim to build on skills developed in previous lessons. **Computing** will develop e-safety awareness, skills and programming.

Our **RE** will focus on identifying and understanding core beliefs, looking at different religions and in **PSHE**, we will be looking at relationships.

Homework: In addition to weekly spellings, please could you support children with reading and learning their times tables?

Finally... if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to talk to me at the end of school, or arrange an appointment before school via the office, if this is more helpful. Looking forward to seeing you at parents' evening!

Best wishes,

Mrs Eden

