

MEDLOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

In Autumn 1, Year 3 will be learning about

English

In English, we will begin by writing narrative based on the text 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura. We will write a non-chronological report about the stone age, using the text 'The Secrets of Stonehenge' for support. We will look at a range of poetry, fiction and non-fiction in guided reading.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning how to keep ourselves safe online, revisiting click and start events in coding and exploring photography in multimedia.

Humanities (History)

This term, Year 3 will be exploring the big question 'How did settlement change the way people lived in prehistoric Britain?' in History. We will explore the chronology of the stone age, and explore the settlement of early humans. We will explore the differences between the stone age and the iron age. We will carry out an inquiry into the question, 'Is it important to learn about the past?'

Art and Design

In Art, we will be developing our drawing and painting skills through art based around our theme.

PE

In Autumn 1, our PE focus is dance. Looking at key skills and developing sequences.

PSHE:

In PSHE, we will be learning about healthy lifestyles, growing and changing, and keeping safe at home and in the community.

Music

In Music, we will be continuing the work from year two on pattern, rhythm, and listening.

Spelling:

We will start by re-visiting Year 2 Spelling Rules, then we will learn words with rarer GPCs and different homophones.

Spanish:

In Spanish, we will be learning vocabulary to get to know each other, colours and numbers.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin the year solidifying our place value knowledge. Then we will continue our work on the four operations, starting with addition and subtraction, then multiplication and division. We will finish the term with measure - looking at time.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about rocks and fossils. We will learn about different rocks and soils. We will complete a scientific inquiry on the properties of rock.

Science Investigation Language

Fair test	What we keep the same
Prediction	What we think will happen
Conclusion	What happened in our test
Equipment	Items used for our test
Method	How we deliver a test



Key Information

The Stone Age lasted roughly 2.5 million years.	The Stone Age ended 5 thousand years ago.
There are 3 distinct periods of the Stone Age: the paleolithic era, the mesolithic era, neolithic era.	For much of the Stone Age, early humans lived in an Ice Age.



Humanities Key Vocabulary

prehistoric	The period of time before written records
before common era	The period of time in the gregorian calendar before the perceived birth of jesus.
early humans	The first humans to use tools, the humans before modern humans.
stone age	The period of history where early humans used tools made of stone.
ancient	Belonging to the very distant past.

Science Key Vocabulary

absorbent	To be able to suck up liquids.
sedimentary rocks	Rocks made of layers of sediment being deposited
organic matter	Matter made of previously alive things
stone	Hard solid matter that has been compressed.
crystals	A type of solid material where the molecules fit together in a regular pattern.
fossil	An imprint in stone of organic matter.
soil	Upper layer of the earth made of organic and non-organic matter
peat	Upper layer of the earth made from exclusively organic material.

Research

- Look online for local archaeological dig sites, what historic artifacts did they uncover, what did they learn about historic civilisations?
- Research all about stonehenge and create a fact file with everything you have learnt.
- Can you figure out how Jane Goodall's research links with our learning on The Stone Age.