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Dear parents and carers,

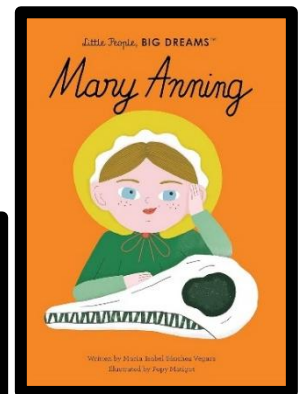
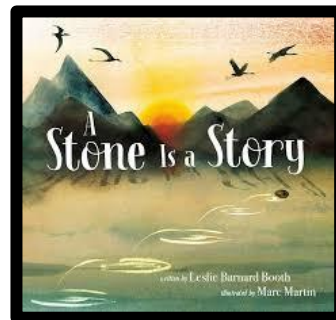
Welcome to our Year 3 Autumn 2 newsletter.

Our Topic for this half term is Rocks and Relics!

As **Historians**, we will be learning about Mary Anning including:

- Who she is.
- Why she is a significant person in history.

In **English**, we will be writing a retell of a Stone is a Story. We will then follow on with a non-chronological report based on Mary Anning and her life. The following are the texts we will be reading in class.



In **Maths**, we will be consolidating our learning from Year 2 and last half term focusing on our knowledge of addition and subtraction moving onto exchanging numbers. We will then focus on money including values of individual coins. We will finally be focusing on our times tables including 2,5,10 and 3,4,8's.

You can support your child at home by encouraging them to practice their skills using the below links.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/addition-and-subtraction>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/multiplication-and-division>

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

As **scientists**, we will be looking closely at rocks and fossils. We will explore the different types of rocks and learn how they are formed. Some rocks, called sedimentary rocks, are made from layers of sand, mud, or tiny stones that have been pressed together over a long time. Igneous rocks are formed when hot lava or magma cools down and becomes solid. Metamorphic rocks are rocks that have changed because of heat or pressure deep inside the Earth.



Let's get creative!

In **ART**, we will be looking at different types of 3D sculptures. This will lead onto us creating our own using different materials!

Homework Challenge!

Can you create your very own sculptures? Find different items in your house that you can recycle into your very own 3D sculptures. They don't have to be big and remember to be as creative as you can be. Do you need glue, or can you use some old ribbon to tie the two pieces together?



You should already have your Spelling Shed and TTRockstars logins, but please let us know if you are having any problems accessing this at home. Please also make sure you are trying your best to read at home: even if it's just two pages each night.

Homework expectations

Please take some time to look at the following table to see what your child should be doing at home to extend their learning:

Activity/Task	Frequency
Reading their book band book	X3 a week
TT Rockstar - Soundcheck	Daily – for 5 minutes
Spelling Shed	Daily - for 5 minutes

As always, if you have any questions then please speak to your child's class teacher.

Trips:

Cliffe Castle – Mary Anning workshop.

Cost - £4:00

Tuesday 4th November 2025- 3DF Olive

Wednesday 5th November 2025 – 3LR Laurel

Thursday 6th November 2025 – 3SM Cedar

The Year 3 team