

# Bowling Park Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

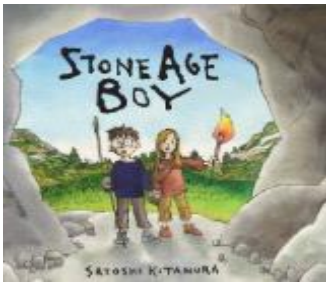
Welcome to our Year 3 Spring 1 newsletter.

Our topic for this half term is Prehistoric Britain!

As **Historians**, we will be learning about the stone age, bronze age and iron age. We will be answering questions such as:

- Which age would you like to live in?
- What has changed between now and then?
- How does each of the ages differ?

In **English**, we will be writing a diary entry based on the book Stone Age Boy. We will then follow on with an instruction text on how to build Stonehenge.



In **Maths**, we will be continuing with our multiplication and division. Then, we will move onto measuring lengths including millimetres, centimetres and metres and finally calculating perimeter.

<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.trockstars.com/>

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/> - to practice all times tables.

As **Scientists**, we will be looking at energy including sources of light and how shadows are formed. We will track changes throughout the day based on the position of the sun and see how that effects our shadows. We will also look at shadow puppets and use words such as opaque, translucent and transparent.



## Let's get creative!

In **Art**, we will be looking at painting and mixed media: prehistoric paintings. We will ask, who were the first artists? We will then create artwork inspired by the inside of a cave wall. We will mix our natural-coloured paint and explore animals that lived long ago.



## Homework Challenge!

Can you create your very own prehistoric painting? Can you paint an animal using natural-coloured paints on a textured surface? What colours could you use? How can you make your paper textured? You could mix paints to make different colours and add finer detail.



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 is just two pages each night. Please write it in the **reading record** to achieve a bronze, silver, or gold certificate at the end of the half term.

## 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     |
| Multiplication check website | Find your score out of 25 |
| Spelling Shed                | Daily - for 5 minutes     |

**P.E**  
Our P.E Day this year is **Thursday**. Please send your child to school in correct P.E kit on this day. This half term we will be teaching gymnastics! 3DF PE – **Tuesday**

## Trips

Nell Bank  
3LR – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January  
3DF- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January  
3SM- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

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

The Year 3 team