

Elder Class – Yabba Dabba Doo (Spring 2, 2022)

English

Elder class will be reading *UG – Boy genius of the Stone Age* in English this half term. We will create play scripts and use these to act out the story. We will also create our own comics to change the ending of the story.

At the end of the half term, we will focus on poetry. The children will read some haikus, tankas and kennings and write their own.

In guided reading, we will continue reading *Dinosaur Trouble* (Dick King-Smith).

Our grammar focus this half term will include organising information into paragraphs, using and recognising subordinate clauses and suggesting grammar and punctuation improvements.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin the half term continuing our work on Statistics, looking at creating and interpreting different types of graph. We will then move on to measuring length and the perimeter of shapes.

Later in the half term, we will start learning about fractions including finding the fraction of a shape and of a number.

We will continue practicing our times tables and arithmetic throughout the half term.

Supporting learning at home

Finding time to read with your child for just a few minutes each day will be hugely beneficial in developing their love of reading and their understanding of texts.

Spelling and times table tests will take place on Friday each week. Children will be given spelling sheets and a set of times tables on Monday each week to take home and practice.

Science – How do fossils form?

In Science this half term we will continue learning about rocks and fossils. We will compare different types of rocks including how they are formed and their features. We will also learn about fossil and soil formation. The trip to the Sedgewick Museum on 15th March will support this learning.

History – How did metal make the stone age rock out?

We will continue to learn about prehistoric Britain this half term. We will focus on Iron age life, including why the Iron age ended. We will then consider changes through the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.

PE

PE will take place every **Thursday afternoon** so children will need their PE kits in school to change into after lunch. We will be practicing sending and receiving a ball as well as our skills in tennis and badminton. Gymnastics sessions will also take place on a **Friday morning**. Children can come into school in their PE kit and change into their uniform after the session.

Spanish

We will be focussing on Musical instruments in Spanish this half term.

Music

Year 3 will be learning The Dragon Song in Music.

RE

This half term we will be focussing on Christianity in RE. We will be investigating the question “*What is ‘good’ about Good Friday?*”

PSHE

Our focus will be drug education this half term.

Computing

In Computing, Year 3 will be learning how to write and send Emails.

Art – Do you prefer drawing on paper or stone?

In Art this half term, Elder class will be drawing on paper and different types of stone and deciding which they prefer and why.

We will also try some prehistoric crafts such as painting with sticks and also try weaving wool.