English

This half term, we will be writing an adventure story about a stone aged boy and a holiday brochure to Skara Brae.

We will continue to practice our Year 3/4 spellings and we would encourage the children to do this at home too.

In our reading lessons we will share the Stone Age Boy story and The Wild Way Home.

Music

Children will learn the history of Rock 'n' Roll. We will explore rocking around the clock and the hand jive. We will then learn how to perform the hand jive hand actions in sequence and in time with the music.

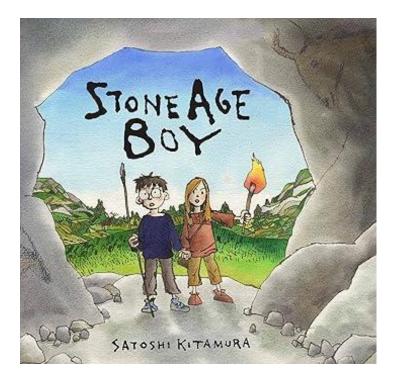
PSHE

We will be looking at taking risks and how to do this safely. We will learn what is meant by risk and what risk means to us together with the importance of asking questions when in risky situations. We will explore what is meant by 'gut feeling' and consider our own gut feelings. This will all help us to make informed decisions.

RE

In RE we will explore why the bible is important to Christians. We will discover that the Bible is used by Christians to make sense of life and to help, support and guide them through life. We will explore how the Bible teaches Christians about God, safety, love, life, family and everything in life.

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Science

This term we will be looking at rocks and soils.

We will compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. We will learn to describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. We will also be able to recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter

Maths

This half term we will be leaning about multiplication and division. We will begin by learning about multiples of a times tables and focussing on times table patterns, progressing to using this knowledge to work out the multiplication and division of the 3, 4, and 8 times tables. Alongside this, during mental maths sessions, we will be recalling the previous times tables we have learned.

Please continue to encourage your child to practice on TT rockstars at home.

Art

This term our art will be linked to our history and reading lessons. We will explore prehistoric art, recreating the style of cave artists using charcoal and natural pigments. We will experiment with colour mixing and create some large-scale artworks.

PF

Swimming lessons will continue on Wednesday mornings until December.

Computing

Year 4 will be learning programming this half term. We will explore the concept of repetition in programming using the Scratch environment. By the end of the unit, we will have the skills and knowledge needed to create our own game.

History

When was it better to live – Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age? This is the question we will consider this tern while exploring when hunter-gathers became tribes and created settlements. We will then explore the significance of Skara Brae for archaeologists.