English

First, We will be reading and writing humorous poems about teachers and school life. We will learn about the use of powerful verbs and adverbs to create impact. Following this, we will read the story The First Drawing which will link to our Stone Age work. We will do lots of work in role in this unit and write our own prehistoric story. After half term, we will learn how to write instructions to make a monster pizza! We will read I'll Take You to Mrs Cole and other stories by Michael Foreman and write a new version. We will learn about dialogue, verbs, and conjunctions for time, place and cause.

Maths

We will be working with numbers up to 1000 and making sure we have a secure understanding of the value of hundreds numbers. We will move on to calculating with two digits first and then three digit numbers. We will learn to use mental and written methods. After half term, we will be concentrating on written and mental multiplication and division. We will recap how to multiply and divide and the 2 and 5 times table. We will then moving on to learning the 3, 4 and 8 times table.

R.E.

Our first topic considers what it means to be 'Called by God' and after half term we will be reflecting upon Christmas including how 'God is with us'

Year 3 Autumn Term Stone Age to Iron Age & Volcanoes

Key Vocabulary

Hemisphere Palaeolithic
Equator Mesolithic
Magma Neolithic
Huntergatherer

Science

We start the term exploring rocks and soils. We will spend time naming and exploring rocks including investigating their properties before looking at different types of soil. After half term we move on to thinking about forces in terms of pushes and pulls, moving on to investigate magnetism as a force that does not require contact. We investigate which materials are magnetic and carry out several investigations including testing the strength of different magnets.

Art & DT

First we will be learning about the artist Eva Rothschild and her sculpture work. We will make our own sculptures in a similar style. After half term, we will be investigating packaging and how it is made for specific products. We will then design and make some packaging for an imaginary product.

History

We will be learning what life was like in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will look at the houses prehistoric people lived in, how they changed from hunter gatherers to farmers and will learn about Stonehenge.

Geography

We will be learning about volcanoes. We will use maps and atlases to find where some volcanoes are in the world and compare two volcanic areas. We will also explore the impact of eruptions on the environment.

PE

We start the year with a recap of the fundamental movement skills - running, hopping, skipping, jumping and rolling/bouncing/kicking/throwing a ball – before moving on to apply these skills in a variety of small team games.

Computing

First, we will be programming using Scratch to animate a sprite. After half term, we will be learning about computer simulations and how accurate to real life they are.

PSHE

We will focus on health and well-being this term including discussing what positively and negatively affects our physical, mental and emotional health.

Wider Curriculum

Specialist PE coach Intra-Sports Christmas Creative Week KS2 Christmas party

Values

Our values this term are

Honesty/Truthfulness