



Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 12th September, 2024

Years 1 and 2

A Great Start to the Year

The children in Key Stage One have made a fantastic start to the year and we are really proud of how quickly they have settled and the learning that has taken place already.

All of the children have returned to school looking smart in their uniforms and have shown that they are ready for the challenges of their new year group. They've been taking pride in their work and have enjoyed starting their new theme.

Across the school year, your child will have the opportunity to bring home their class mascot (Ola, Foxy or Cupcake) to spend the weekend with you! Please support your child when completing the journal so your child can share their adventures with the rest of the class.

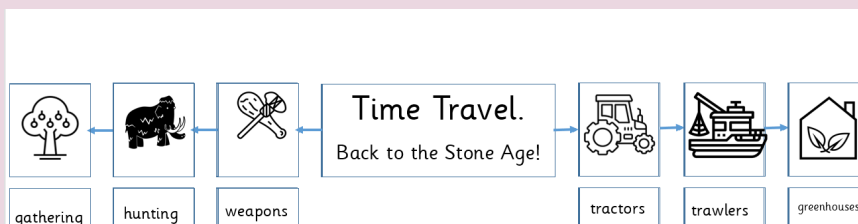
What are we learning this half term?

We're excited to start our new theme for this half term: **Back to The Stone Age.**

In English, we will be reading the story Cave Baby and will be looking at describing the cave and a woolly mammoth.

In history we will learn more about the Stone Age. We will compare life in the Stone Age to life today—particularly thinking about homes, clothes and food.

In Art, we will use a range of different paintbrushes in order to create a cave painting of an animal.



What can I do at home to help my child?

In years one and two, your weekly homework will include:

- **Spellings to learn** - These will be given on a Friday and tested the following Friday).
- **Reading** - we are aiming for 3 reads, the more your child reads the more it will help them!
- **TTRockstars and Letterjoin** for at least 15 minutes a week. Your child will be sent home with their logins

This half term our **PE days** are:

- **Foxes** - Tuesday and Wednesday
- **Rabbits** - Tuesday and Thursday
- **Owls** - Tuesday and Thursday

Dates for Your Diary

Mon 9th - Wed 11th September:	Year 5 Bike ability Group 1
Mon 16th - Wed 18th September:	Year 5 Bike ability - Group 2
Tuesday 3rd October:	National Poetry Day
Wednesday 11th October:	Y3 Pedestrian Skills
Mon 16th and Tue 17th Oct:	Year 5 Bike ability - Group 3
Tuesday 8th October:	Parents' Evening (more details to follow)
Wednesday 9th October:	Parents' Evening (more details to follow)
Monday 21st October:	Whole school Spanish Week
Thursday 17th October:	KS1 Harvest Festival
Thursday 24th October:	Halloween Disco (more details to follow)
Friday 25th October:	Last day before half-term break
Monday 4th November:	School opens after half-term break