

# LKS2 Curriculum Newsletter



## Welcome to the Lower Key Stage 2 Team

We welcome Mrs Adams as Owls class leacher. Mrs Earnshaw and Mrs Read will be leaching Kestrels. We are looking forward to an action packed term with learning about the Stone Age and preparing for the Year 4 times table check.

## English:

This half term the children will be learning English through our quality texts: The Iron Man by Ted Hughes.

We will be teaching the key skills of writing to entertain, designing our own character. Writing to inform in the style of a recount. Writing a letter of persuasion once we have fully become emersed in the text. Please remember to read every day and make sure you Accelerated Reader book is with you in school. You will also have spellings to practice weekly.

#### Maths:

In maths, we continue to use Power Maths and White Rose resources to continue to develop a maths mastery approach. We will begin with units on Multiplication and division, gractions, decimals roman numerals, measure, length and perimeter;

We will also be completing weekly times tables check with a continued focus on TT Rockstars in preparation for the Year 4 Times Table check.

#### Curriculum Overview:

<u>Science</u>: This term in Science, we will cover units on electricity and rocks where the children will become geologists.

Geography: In Geography, we have a focus on weather and climate in the UK and around the world.

 $\underline{\text{R.E.}}$ - During our R.E. lessons this term, we are concentrating on Christianity.

French:-We are learning about Birthday celebrations.

<u>Computing:</u> Online safety will continue to be a focus in all computing lessons, followed by Scratch/coding/

<u>PSHE</u> — Rules, laws and our rights is our first topic alongside teaching children our Foxyards Family Curriculum.

<u>Spellings</u>: New spellings are shared every Monday and tested on the following Monday. Each unit of spelling is taught throughout the week, focussing on the particular letter strings required in LKS2. Pupils have some lessons for spellings where these words are practised but children need to practise these spellings every day at home.

<u>Homework</u> Children are encouraged to continue to read at home, when back in school to complete quizzes to check for understanding. We continue to focus on fluency in maths through TT Rockstars and Numbots competitions and practise their spellings.

## <u>Project — The Stone Age and their Inventions, Our Great Exhibition!</u>

In addition, we would encourage children to choose one of the following activities that they will work on over the next few weeks. On Wednesday  $20^{th}$  March we will display all of the projects after school in the hall for parents to come and have a look round!

- Research and create a fact file on lifestyle and the key skills humans developed in the Stone Age.
- Recreate a model of Stone Henge or Skara Brae
- Create your own art in the style of a cave painting using fruits, plants and other natural resources to make your own paint.
- Investigate wild life from the Stone Age, You can choose to record/video and present the information as creatively as you would like!

### P.E. Days

Doves: Friday (AM) / Kiles: Thursday (AM) / Owls: Thursday (PM)

#### PE sessions:

Your child should come to school in their Foxyards P.E. kit: plain blue t-shirt, black shorts, plain black tracksuit trousers and a plain black sweat-shirt or hooded top. For health and safety reasons, all earrings will need to be removed on these days.

