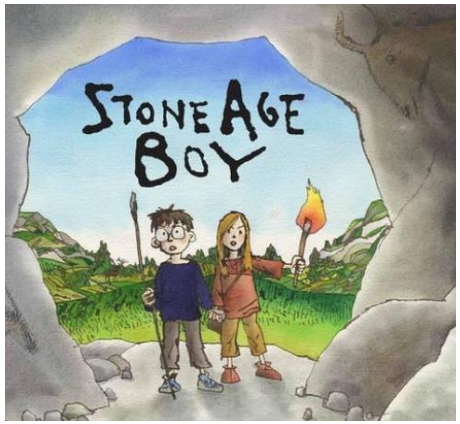
Year 3

Experience: Trip to Butser ancient farm to research how people lived in the Neolithic period. Children will try their hand at jewellery making, cordage and chalk calving - ready to get your hands dirty!

English:

We will be travelling back in time to the Stone Age to get a feel for what everyday life might have been like for a child at that time. We will gather round the fire pit as people in the Stone Age used to do, listening to the crackle of the fire and watching the flames dance! During our class trip to Butser, we will have the opportunity to explore building materials used in the Neolithic period, gathering in a long barn to investigate various historical artefacts. We will then use these rich experiences to write first-hand narratives, focusing on descriptive details to bring our work to life!



Topic:

The Stone Age

Maths:

We play a range of games, both in the classroom and outside to consolidate our understanding of place value. We use vocabulary like 'more than', 'less than' and 'equal to' to compare numbers and we have a range of equipment in class to support our learning.

We also cover addition and subtraction, focusing on using concrete apparatus and an engaging, practical approach. We introduce place value columns as a written method to add and subtract numbers.

Art:

We will be making our very own Lion Man statues out of clay, inspired by the original Stone Age artefact. We will discuss the symbolism behind the statue and its significance to the Stone Age community.

Science:

We take a close up look at the three main types of rock, investigating the characteristics of each through hands on activities. We move on to learn about how fossils are formed, exploring genuine archaeological artefacts and fossils. We forage around the school grounds for fallen vegetation, which we then use to create our own versions of fossils.

History:

We will be diving into the Stone Age in History lessons to provide a truly immersive experience for our children. We will compare life back then with modern day life using drama, drawing, writing and discussion to showcase our understanding.

PE:

We focus on foundation skills in PE: throwing, catching, kicking, hand-eye coordination, balance and agility. Children are encouraged to demonstrate good sportsmanship and develop a team ethos.

Computing: We will be using Purple Mash to develop our coding skills, focusing on designing algorithms that follow a timed sequence and learning how to debug programs to improve our work.

Music:

Our topic is Mystic Moments, where we explore textures and layers within a piece of music. We also explore how these affect the character and mood. The children then compose their own pieces using simple notation.

PSHE + RE: We start by settling in the children, establishing positive relationships and embedding the school rules, then focus on relationships, understanding personal boundaries and the impact of our behaviour.

French:

We will be learning how to greet each other.

Outdoor Learning:

The children use resources from the school grounds to create cave paintings!