



Navigators Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn Term

Creative Learning Journey (CLJ)/ Theme

Our CLJ theme is called 'Caves to Castles' and relates closely to our History, Geography, DT and Art learning. We will be looking at the progression from Stone Age to Bronze Age to Iron Age., and at certain castles across Britain.

Reading

Children who read regularly thrive in their learning. Therefore, children will have the opportunity to read in school daily.

This year we will continue to incentivise reading at home to an adult. Children can choose to read whatever they enjoy reading at home - Please record a short comment in their reading records. The children will be issued a raffle ticket for 3 reads in a week and the winner will be able to come to school in non-uniform. We have a wide selection of reading books in school and children are encouraged to select an appropriate book for them to take home to read.

Science

The Science for this term will first be investigating electricity where we will be identifying common appliances that run on electricity, constructing simple electrical circuits and recognizing common conductors and insulators. We will then move onto states of matter including identifying the role of evaporation and condensation in the water cycle.

Maths

In our Numeracy lessons this term we will be following the White Rose Maths Scheme of work for Year 3 and 4. We will be covering the following units:



Year 3

- Place value
- Addition and subtraction with carrying and regrouping.
- Finding area of a rectangle and square

Year 4

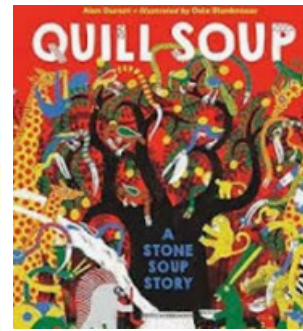
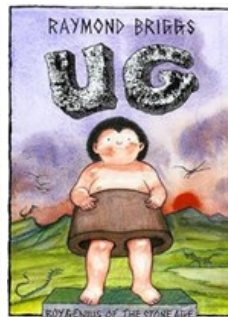
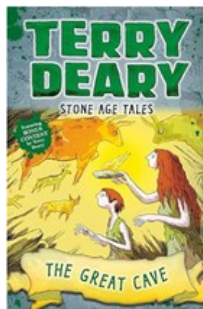
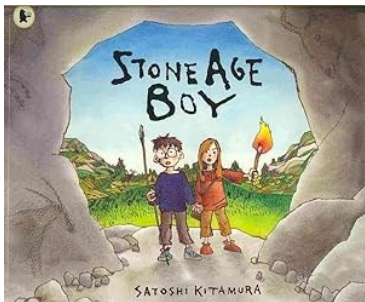
- Place Value
- Written calculations for all four operations
- Handling data

We will also be focusing highly on times tables this academic year so any support with this at home would be beneficial. Times tables rock stars is a great resource.

English Literacy

In our literacy lessons this term, we will be covering a range of reading and writing objectives. Children will be exploring themes, issues and sustain ideas through discussions. They will also compose writing for a wide variety of purposes linked to our books: Ug: The Boy Genius of the Stone Age, Quill Soup and The Iron Man

We will also be using two other texts, Stone Age Tales, The Great Cave and Stone Age Boy to further the children's literacy knowledge.





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P.E. and Fresh Air Club

P.E. sessions are on a Tuesday and Thursday this term. We will be covering a combination of gymnastics and multi-skills.

Your child will be expected to bring their PE kit into school every Monday and leave it in school for the week.

Fresh Air Club (outdoor learning) will be every Monday. Your child can come to school in tracksuit/ jogging bottoms/ leggings for the day, plus their normal school uniform on top. Wellies and a waterproof coat will be essential to take part over the Autumn/ winter months.

Music

In music, we will be having weekly ukulele lessons provided by the Dorset Music Service, cumulating in a concert to our grown-ups! We will also be listening to and appraising a range of music, as well as learning new songs as part of our weekly singing assembly.

History & Geography

Through our History and Geography learning, children will:

- develop a greater understanding of timelines and chronology and know how Britain changed from the Stone Age to the Bronze Age, to the Iron Age.
- learn about Skara Brae, Stonehenge and other prehistoric tombs and monuments.
- learn how hunter-gatherers survived in the Stone Age..
- learn about settlements and why people chose to make settlements in specific locations.
- learn about the local area and the historical importance of Wor Barrow
- learn about the Battle of Hastings and the Bayeux Tapestry
- compare hillforts, roundhouses, and castles



Jigsaw PSHE

Being me in my World – being a class team, being a school citizen, Rights, Responsibilities and Democracy, rewards and consequences.

Celebrating Differences – Judging by appearances, Understanding influences, understanding bullying, problem solving, celebrating our differences.

Art and Design Technology

In Art this term, we will be looking at designing and creating stone age jewellery as part of our 'WOW day'. We will also be exploring cave paintings, understanding their importance and creating our own with natural materials.

Modern Foreign Languages



We will be building on our existing French knowledge this year. During the Autumn term we will focus on French greetings and feelings.

Computing

In our computing lessons we will continue to develop our knowledge of online safety, helping to ensure that we stay safe online from bullying. We will also look at computing systems, networks and the internet.