



# Class 3 Curriculum Update

## January 2022

### Values: Tolerance and Fairness

#### *Lindow Man - Stone Age to Iron Age.*

Our theme for the rest of this half term has a history focus and we are looking at the Stone Age to the Iron Age. As historians, we are going to be looking at how life changed during these periods; how tools and weapons developed and we will look at the amazing discovery of Lindow Man who was discovered in a marsh in 1984. The children have been introduced to The Stone Age through our class text Stone Age Boy. As artists, they have been exploring the types of cave painting that have been discovered from this period, and explored with pastels to start creating their own cave painting art. Later this term, we are hoping to visit the Hereford Museum to take part in a workshop to learn more about this period. Further information will follow once the dates have been confirmed with the Museum.



#### French

As linguists, the children have moved on to learning the names of animals. This follows on from how to greet each other, numbers, and days of the week and months of the year. They have all been excellent at learning their colours and are trying hard to link some words and phrases to make a sentence and have a simple conversation in terms of asking and answering a question linked to these topics.

#### Homework

The children have weekly homework.

Maths - TT Rockstars. The expectation is to play 4/5 games per day.

Reading - The children should read for a minimum of 15 minutes per day and record this so that it will count towards their 40 reads.

Spelling - Spelling Shed. The expectation is to play 4/5 games per day.

#### Class page of the website.

Please check our class page on the website regularly as we are always adding photos to share your child's learning. There will be photos of work we are proud of and photos of your children engaging in learning tasks.

## Forest School

We have spent time exploring the wider site by going on long walks, which has also helped to keep us warm with the cold weather. On these walks the children love to look for treasures and find interesting items. They are becoming increasingly observant and are noting different plants that grow or finding treasures such as apple gall wasp nests that grow on oak leaves and twigs, which has been a very exciting discovery. We have also used the setting to learn about Chinese New Year, where we did some cooking and Chinese writing for our names and school Values, which we made using natural materials. The fire is enjoyed at reflection time as well as being used as a source of heat!



## Music

As musicians, we are now learning to play samba. We are certainly waking up the rest of the school every Wednesday morning with our energetic samba band. All of the children were excited for the first lesson and their excitement has continued with everyone eager to play the drums. I have been impressed by their rhythms and ability to keep these going with lots of sounds coming through. Photos can be viewed on the class page of the website and I will keep adding to this folder each week as the children will get to play different instruments from the samba band.



We are so pleased that it has been a positive start back to school this term and the children have enjoyed our new theme; being introduced to Samba and netball; and continuing with their other subjects too.

It already seems so long ago since we had the Christmas holidays but we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for our lovely and thoughtful gifts.

It has been lovely to see some Year 3 children joining tag-rugby club on a Wednesday after school and football on a Friday. If this is something, your child is interested in then please send them along each week.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or worries. We are always happier to get things sorted at the earliest possible time.

The Year 3 team.