

Year Three Newsletter: Summer 1

Dear Year Three Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday. We are really looking forward to our Buckden visit next week as it kick starts our Stone Age topic. 3B will be visiting Buckden on the 23rd-24th April and 3F will be visiting on the 24th- 25th April.

During this half term we will be learning all about the Stone Age, its place in history and what life was like so long ago. Whilst staying in Buckden, we shall take a walk to explore an ancient stone circle located nearby and we will be creating our very own cave paintings.

In English we will be studying the texts *Ug* and *Stone Age Boy* in order to develop our story writing skills. In maths we will be learning about fractions and how to tell the time. Please encourage your child to keep practising their times tables at home, **we will soon be starting to learn our eight times tables in class**. By the end of Year Three, your child should know their 2x, 5x, 10x, 3x, 4x and 8x tables off by heart. The children have received Times table Rockstar logins, which can assist them in practising their times tables.

As the weather begins to improve both PE lessons will take place outside, the children will be learning how to play tennis and practising their athletic skills in preparation for sports day. PE will continue to take place on a Monday and Thursday, please ensure your child comes to school in the appropriate PE kit as described in the school's uniform policy. In science the children will be starting a new topic and learning about plants, we will be visiting the Hirst Wood nature reserve to explore plants on **Tuesday 8th May**.

The children are doing really well with learning the words from our Year Three word list and are regularly applying them to all forms of writing. This half term's words are: **arrive, build, decide, different, early, group, heard** and **often**. Please support your child in learning them at home, alongside reading their library book which they can change on Wednesdays.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts last half term. The cakes that were donated were fantastic and helped us raise £308.71 for the British Red Cross disaster relief appeal.

If you have any questions at any time, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Kind regards,

Mr Breeze and Miss Fletcher

