



Courtney Primary - Topic Sheet- Stone Age

Term 1 – Year 3 – Miss Ford

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What is this topic sheet for?

This sheet shows you the topics your child is covering this term and gives you ideas and ways you can help your child at home. The library is always a good starting point and the internet has many great sites. If you visit www.courtneyprimaryschool.co.uk and click on the 'Links' section, you will find useful websites listed there.

English

Our class text will be: The Wild Girl by Chris Wormell.



We are focusing this term on The Wild Girl which we will use to create character descriptions, diary entries and our own losing tale. We are starting off our topic by creating cave paintings and predicting what might happen in our story. We will spend a week focusing on poetry and two weeks on non-fiction writing.

We will learn the following skills to enrich our writing: using commas in lists, using expanded noun phrases, character descriptions, using a mixture of simple and compound sentences and using apostrophes for possession.

We will also be working on our dictionary skills to encourage the children's spelling skills and independence in class.

Towards the end of the term, we are also going to explore some texts based on WWI for the 100th anniversary.

Maths

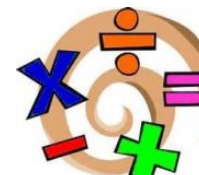
In Maths this term we will be covering the following skills:

Place value

- Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations.
- Find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones).
- Compare and order numbers up to 1000
- Read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words.
- Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100

Addition and Subtraction

- Add and subtract numbers mentally, including: a three-digit number and ones; a three-digit number and tens; a three digit number and hundreds.
- Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of column addition and subtraction.
- Estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers.
- Solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction.



Computing



We will be looking at Online Safety in Term 1.

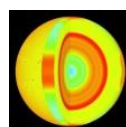
We will learn how to:

- Stay safe online and who to talk to if there is a problem.
- Protect our personal information.
- Act if someone is unkind to them online and the consequences that online behaviour can have.
- Understand the difference between communicating in person and online.



Geography and History

This term we are focusing on the Stone Age, looking at what people would have eaten and worn back then and what their daily life would have involved. We are going to explore what their homes would have been like and compare them to homes around the world today which will link into our Geography Big Issue-Homelessness.



Science

Our focus in science is Rocks and Soils.

We will be learning:

- About the different types of rocks
- Grouping rocks
- All about fossils
- Soil Formation
- Soil Permeability

The children will also be learning about Mary Anning who was a fossil collector. Famous scientists came to visit her to see the fossils that she'd found.



RE

Key question:

What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?

This investigation enables pupils to learn about key aspects of Hindu belief and worship. What we call 'Hinduism' is the diverse way of life, spiritual practices and beliefs of the Indian people. We are focussing on British Hindus, and there is great diversity in British Hinduism as well as the original Indian Hinduism.

We will also think about being a Hindu in Britain today.



Art and DT

The children will be taught Art on a Monday with Mrs Harbury. This term, we are learning all about the Stone Age and are using our school environment to create cave paintings on different textures. We are also going to explore how paints were made back then! Our project at the end of the term will be to use the skills learnt to contribute to a whole class mural.



PE

During P.E this term, we will be following Unit 1 from Real PE. We will be taught two PE sessions a week, one with Miss Ford on a Friday and one with Mr Smith on a Monday.

Our foci for the term are: Personal Skills; With a physical focus on Coordination: Floor Movement Patterns.

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school, with earrings removed on the days of PE.

