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Welcome to Year 3! We hope you have all had a lovely half term break.

This half term we will develop our historical knowledge by exploring the Stone Age to the Iron Age! This will involve going far back in history to our first ancestors, looking at what life was like in Ancient Britain and how the Cheddar man can teach us about life back then.

Remember to stay up to date with our class on Dojo. If you ever need any help, have any questions or would like to give us additional information about your child, please don't hesitate to speak to us after school or ring the office to make an appointment. Parents evening appointments are live so please ensure you book either a phone call with Mrs Coverdale on Monday 2nd or Tuesday 3rd of March, OR an in person appointment with Mrs Mosley on Wednesday 4th March.

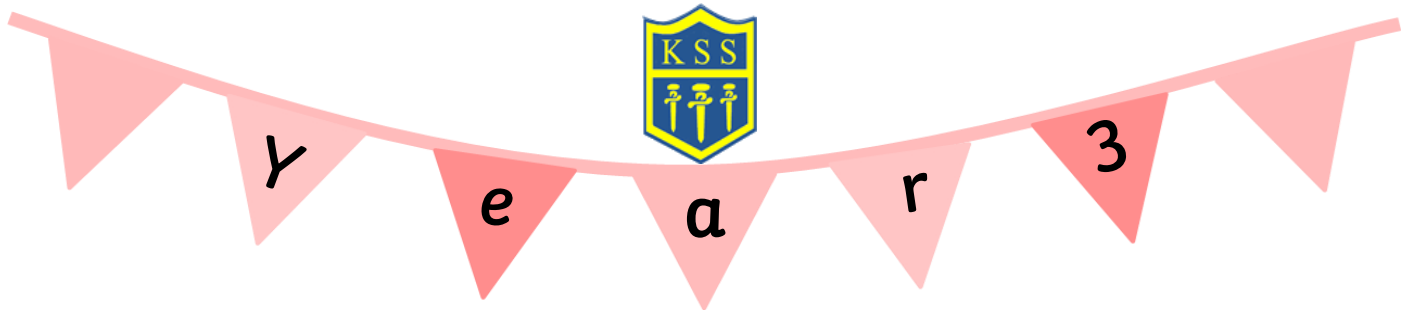
Our focus in English will be **Instructions**, using the story of a monk called Brother Theophane. We will look at the features of instructions, their purpose and how to use them to create our own instructions for making natural tie dye t-shirts! We are starting to teach handwriting using pre-cursive and cursive letter formation. Children have been really enthusiastic when trying this out this week. We will be sending out more information later in the term.

In Maths this half term, we will be learning how to **measure in metres, centimetres and millimetres** using our best friend, the ruler. We will also look at **what is perimeter, finding fractions of amounts, and calculating mass and capacity**. Please look at our calculation policy on the school website for how to set out anything we send for homework and help your child by ensuring they set it out just as they would at school. Finally, please continue to embed and practise their times tables, which are essential for them to quickly recall by the end of Year 3: **2s, 5s, 10s, 3s, 4s and 8s**. Use TTRS to practise them as well.

Science this half term will all take place during Science week; which is taking place week w/c 9th March. The theme this year is 'Our Wonderful World!' This will involve children doing activities and investigations with different teachers throughout the week, developing their skills of observing, questioning and testing.

Reading is as important as ever in Year 3. We encourage children to **read at home as much as possible** and bring their book and signed reading record in daily. We will continue visiting the school library for children to select a book. We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day next Thursday!

In Love to Read, we will be reading 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura, a fiction book in line with our History topic, which will allow us to develop our visualising skills of what life might have been like back then for our modern day children.



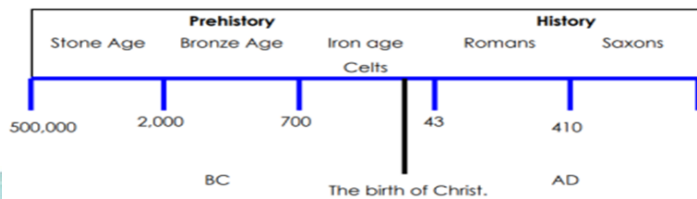
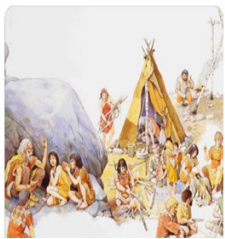
PE is **Monday and Friday** this half term. We will not be doing 2 full PE lessons a week due to us using our hall slots for production practise. We will however ensure we do some physical activity on these days so please still come to school wearing PE kits.

In RE, our big question this half term is; 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?'

In D&T this half term, will be researching, planning and sewing our own **teddy bears** using a variety of stitching techniques.

In **Music**, we will be practising songs for our production of 'Dorothy in Oz.'

Rehearsals are under way for the Year 3 and 4 production. We look forward to welcoming you to school to watch either the evening performance on Tuesday 31st March or the afternoon performance on Wednesday 1st April. More information regarding tickets etc will be sent out in the next couple of weeks. We ask that all children attend the evening performance as they have worked so hard preparing for it and all have an important role. If there's any reason why they cannot attend, please let us know as soon as possible, thank you.



Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight
accidentally	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
actual	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actually	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
address	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
although	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	increase	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	important	often	quarter	thought
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	through
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	various
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	weight
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	woman
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	women
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	