Year 3 Spring 1 Newsletter

Spring 1 has been a very busy and quick half term for the children. They have worked very hard and made all of the Y3 Team very proud. We have all enjoyed learning about life during prehistoric Britain and our trip to Butser Farm. The children were all very engaged and excited to complete the wonderful activities. These included being archaeologists, digging for artefacts, making Bronze-Age jewellery and doing chalk carvings using flint.



In **Science**, we have been comparing and grouping different rock types against their appearance and characteristics. We have labelled rocks as sedimentary, metamorphic or igneous. We have also explored how fossils are formed within rocks. During our last lesson, we investigated different soil types by how absorbent they are.

In **History**, we have been widening our understanding of The Stone-Age to the Iron-Age period. We have been using our knowledge to make a 'Keynote' presentation highlighting how lives changed during this time. We have explored what people wore, what they ate, the tools they used and the type of houses they lived in.

In **Writing**, we have been looking at the narrative 'Stone-Age Boy'. We have been using adjectives, expanded noun phrases, verbs, adverbs and prepositions to make our writing more entertaining to read. We have also been writing our own set of instructions about how to make Prehistoric Jewellery and bought them to life using the app Clips. We all enjoyed making our very own salt dough necklaces, we hope you like them too!



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In **Maths**, we have been exploring multiplication and division. We have been multiplying a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number using place value counters. We have explored the connection between different numbers and how these can be multiplied together. We have also have been looking at dividing a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number. We have been partitioning numbers into tens and ones to be able to share them equally between different numbers using exchanging. During the last week of this half term, we have began our topic of measures and have been measuring different lengths in m, cm and mm.

In **PE**, we have had lots of fun playing basketball. All of the children have been amazing using their skills of dribbling and passing the ball to one another. They are now able too successfully pass the ball using chest pass and bounce pass. We have also been discussing the importance of attacking and defending and how this looks in a game of basketball. We hope the children continue building upon these skills.





This half term, we have welcomed children from Cross Farm and Sandringham Infant schools. We were able to complete a task on the iPads which the Year 3s helped the children to spell their names using 'Keynote'. Both schools were very complimentary of how our children welcomed and supported the Year 2 children.

In **RE**, we have been exploring Islam in more detail and why Allah is so important to Muslims. We have explored the importance of prayer for Muslims. We have looked at the role the Mosque plays in the community. We have also discussed the importance of 'Ummah' and feeling part of a community. We have also shared our experiences of when we have felt part of a community. These communities include: Brownies, Cubs, football teams and wearing our Frimley uniform.

