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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an excellent first week where the children have settled in quickly into Key Stage Two and have made a very positive start to the year. Our topics this year will include 'Robots', 'Castles', 'Minecraft', 'Light' and 'Plants' as well as this terms topic: 'Stone Age to Iron Age'.

On the reverse of this letter is an overview of this terms topic. As it is a plan, it is subject to change with areas of learning being added or adapted. To open this topic we have watched an episode of the cartoon 'The Flintstones' and throughout the term we will be endeavoring to answer the question 'How accurate is The Flintstones?' by exploring different sources to find out about how people lived in the Stone Age. We will also explore different aspects of how people lived in the Bronze Age and Iron Age as well as plot these periods on a timeline.



Our English will link closely with both our topic for this term where we will be writing reports based on our research. Our class book this term will be 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura. We will use this as an inspiration for a range of writing opportunities including writing a sequel in the same style; character and setting descriptions and a newspaper report based on events that take place in the story.

Our Science topic for this term is 'Animals, Including Humans'. During this topic, we will learn about the importance of keeping healthy through physical activity and nutrition. The children will also learn about circulation and why humans (and animal) have skeletons.

As the children move into Key Stage Two, they will learn French formally for the first time with this terms topic being 'Moi (All About Me)'. As part of this topic, children will learn basic words and phrases as well as the French for different parts of the body.

In Physical Education (PE) this term within our Games sessions, we will be focusing on developing our control, skill and teamwork within a range of winter games. As well as this, we will be focusing on developing our balance and coordination when performing movement patterns and balances as part of our dance unit taught by the 'Forever Sport' coaches. Our PE days for Term 1 will be Tuesday and Thursday and children will require their full PE kit on these days. However, it is important that children have their kit in school every day as we may do PE at different times. We will start swimming on Friday 5th October. You child took a letter home during the first week with more information and outlining dates of each session. There will be a couple of opportunities for children to take part in afterschool sporting clubs this term. Look out for letters that outline the details of these in the coming weeks.

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During the term, we will be taking a virtual tour of the Lascaux cave paintings and will use this to create a big art project where we will create our own cave paintings and then relate this to modern graffiti and the work of artists such as 'Banksy'.

Your child will be given a 'Pick n' Mix homework sheet on Friday 14th September. This is optional homework linked to the topics that we are covering this term. Children can select as many or as few tasks to complete throughout the term. Spellings will be issued on a Friday with children being tested the following week. Children will also take part in the 'Need for Speed' time's table challenge and will be tested on a Friday. Therefore, it is important that children practise their spellings and times tables regularly.

It is important to note the huge benefit of children reading for at least 5 to 10 minutes every night on their development. It is useful if either an adult or the child themselves make a brief comment about their reading in their reading journal. The children will also have the opportunity to visit the school library to sign out books and return those that they have read once a week. We will continue the times table challenge therefore regular practise of their times tables will also support the children's learning. Children should bring their reading book and journal every day, as we like to hear them read as much as possible. On that note, if anyone is able to offer some time to listen to children read on a regular basis it would be much appreciated and hugely beneficial to the children in the class.

It is important that children drink plenty of water throughout the day so please ensure that your child brings a water bottle into school.

We are well stocked with stationary in school therefore, it is not necessary for children to bring in a pencil case. Children are however asked not to bring toys into school as we do not want them to get lost or broken.

On Wednesday 19th September there will be an opportunity straight after school to meet with me to ask any questions as well as view your child's classroom. However, if you would like to meet me for a more formal chat you can contact me after school in the playground or via the office and we can arrange a time to meet. You are also welcome to meet with me for a more informal chat about your child or to view their books when you collect them at the end of the school day.

I look forward to meeting you throughout the term.

Yours sincerely

Paul Truan