Who first lived in Britain?

Year 3/4



Autumn Term - 2022

Key Areas of Learning

As **historians**, we will be exploring how people find out about the past. We will have a go at being archaeologists, searching for artefacts that can tell us about the past. We will be learning about the chronology of prehistoric Britain, thinking about the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic eras and what makes each of these periods distinct from one another. We will have a particular focus on how and where the Britons of the Stone Age lived.

As **scientists**, we will be becoming petrologists! We will learn about how rocks are formed, their properties and their uses. We will also study how fossils are formed and what they can tell us about the past. Finally, we will be investigating what soil is, how it is useful to us and how it differs from place to place.

English

In English this term we will be writing instructions inspired by How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth. We will also be writing our own time-slip adventure stories based on our Prehistoric Britain topic.

We will be reading The Abominables by Eva Ibbottson.

Maths

This term the focus is on place value and number:

- partitioning
- numbers to 10,000
- rounding
- Roman numerals
- Negative numbers
- ordering and comparing numbers
- counting in steps of 10, 100, 1000

RE

We will be asking the question: Do Murtis help Hindus understand God? Children will learn some of the symbols used to represent God as well as exploring the many forms of the Hindu God Brahman.

French

This term in French we will be looking at some French phonics, as well as how to greet people and say how we are feeling. We will also learn some classroom instructions. We will learn some fun French finger rhymes!

Computing

This term the children will be thinking about how to be safe online. They will learn the acronym SMART and think about how to apply these rules in their day to day online worlds.

Art

This term our focus will be on drawing. Children will be using pencils, charcoal, chalk and chalk pastels to explore different techniques to create texture, light and shadow in their drawings.

PSHCE

Our theme for the term is respect in relationships. We will be learning about how to be a good friend and all about family life.

PE

The children will be playing football, learning which part of the foot to use to pass, how to dribble and the best way to receive a pass.

We will also be practising our gymnastic skills, focussing specifically on creating different types of bridge using our bodies.

Music

This term we will be learning about rhythm and pulse.

Maple class will be learning to play the violin or cello.

Spirit, Moral, Social and Cultural Awareness

Our assembly focus this term will be cooperation. What does this mean at home and at school. We start the term with a Stone Age Workshop to enrich our curriculum topic. Each class will be electing Eco and School Councillors as well as Reflective Area Monitors. We end the term with our International Week!