

# Other Subjects

This term we will be looking at 'The Stone Age' making enquiries into history. We will be focussing on when the Stone Age began and ended and what it was like to live in the Stone Age— including what people ate, how they lived, what they wore and much more!

In Science this year, we have made a start on Magnets and will be moving onto Animals including Humans. We will be looking at similarities and differences between different types of animals, as well as focussing on the diet of humans.

In Art, the children will be looking at pottery, using different skills. In Design Technology, we will be looking at Stone Structures. This will give the children an opportunity to plan, construct and evaluate a model replica of Stonehenge!

In Music, we are very lucky in Year 3 as we have a specialist music teacher in each Tuesday to teach your child. In these lessons, they will continue to experience using a variety of instruments as well as exploring a variety of aspects of music.

In French, we will be continuing our journey in to the language by learning how to read, write and speak a variety of topical vocabulary such as colours, parts of the body and classroom objects.

In RE we will learn about Christianity - with a particular focus on Jesus and the Bible. In PSHE we will be looking at bullying and staying safe.

# Other Information!

## Homework This Year

### On a weekly basis

Children will bring home weekly spellings, stuck in their planner, every Friday. The test will take place on the following Friday.

English and Maths homework will be sent out on alternate weeks. This will also be given out on a Friday. This is still to be completed in the homework book, which should be kept completed neatly and in pencil. Homework is due in for the following Wednesday.

Reading with your child, or allowing for as many opportunities for reading as possible will help with their progress.

## Trips This Term

We aim to organise an external visit to link to our topics. More details to follow. We will also be holding extra-curricular events in school, including a Stone Age focus to our Forest School lessons.

**If you have any questions please do not  
hesitate to ask.**

NETHERBROOK  
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# Year 3 Spring Term

**Miss Hockley and Miss Jones**



**Information for parents**

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## Introduction

What a great term we had before Christmas! The production was a huge success and the children have worked hard and started to meet the high expectations of KS2 too. We need to continue our high standards of behaviour, learning and presentation, both in their work and of themselves.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Year 3 Staff

**Here are some of the children's comments about our first term:**

I enjoyed having a star role in the Christmas production of 'Lights, Camel Action!'

I love having a pen license so that I can write in pen in class!

I love the fun lessons like Music!

Investigating with the magnets was really fun.

## English

In Spring Term, in English, we are continuing to focus on our handwriting through Kinetic Letters and spelling through Read Write Inc, basic grammar skills and our main English Units.

Last term, Year 3 enjoyed learning about Traditional Tales From a Different Perspective, where they got to look at the structural and language features of traditional tales before going on to write their own story. We had some imaginative stories written from a different perspective.

This term, we will be moving on to recounts—where Year 3 will get the opportunity to write about important events!



**Please read with your child regularly at home—even if they are able readers, as they need to be answering questions about the**

**You can help at home by:**

- \* Reading books and texts.
- \* Asking your child challenging questions about what they have read, including getting them to read between the lines or find evidence to support their answer.
- \* Allowing for opportunities for writing, focussing on using exciting sentence openers and adjectives.

## Maths

Over the course of the Spring term the children will continue to cover all areas of Maths. As a school we are focusing on Mental Maths and so the children will be given plenty of opportunities over the term to improve their mental maths skills and to learn new mental strategies. We will also be working on the four operations, making sure children understand a range of methods, both mentally and written to solve questions involving these.

Written methods

The children will learn how to work with numbers, money and measures including time, and will apply these to word problems, finding the important information and the correct operation.

The first half term we will concentrate on place value, money, decimals, addition and subtraction and time. After half term we will work on multiplication, division, algebra, fractions and weight!

**You can help at home by:**

- Helping your child to learn their tables
- Support them with practising their passport targets
- Support them with any homework that is sent home