

The Greville's Termly Update

YEAR 3



Year 3 has settled brilliantly into their first term at school and we have been so impressed with how the children have taken to life in Year 3. They have picked up the new routines well and have been busy making new friendships in their new classes. It has been wonderful to see them come together so easily and enjoy their first term.

- Miss Emma Jordan (Year 3, Group Leader)

MATHS

ENGLISH

In English this term we have been busy recapping some of the key Year 2 grammar learning in order to make sure this is fully embedded. We have been focused on sentence work and writing simple descriptions to build up our writing stamina. We have had a real focus on handwriting which has involved lot of children learning how to join. The children have made fantastic progress with this and are working hard on their letter formation.

We have immersed ourselves in the books, The Koala Who Could and Charlotte's Webb, and have been completely engrossed by Mr Benn! Our Mr Benn unit led to us writing a recount of the caveman episode where he meets with people from the Stone Age, linking to our history topic this term.



HISTORY



Our history topic this term has been on The Stone Age and the children have absolutely embraced their learning on this. We have learnt about the three different periods of the Stone Age and how these differed from each other. We have looked at hunting and different jobs, particularly those of children and how these developed throughout the three periods. We have learnt about the many uses of a woolly mammoth and investigated the different styles of housing they used. We leant all about the Stone Age settlement at Skara Brea and marvelled at how different their lives were.

In maths we spent the first three weeks embedding place value and have recently moved on to our addition and subtraction unit. We have had a real focus on counting this term and building the children's fluency with number in maths. This has allowed us to work on basic skills such as number bonds and using these to solve wider problems. The children have really taken to our Times Tables Ninjas challenge on a Monday and next term we will be introducing them to TTRockstars. Next term we will also be continuing with our addition and subtraction unit and will begin to look at using column method to solve problems.

SCIENCE

In science we have been investigating rocks and soils. We have learnt all about how rocks are formed, where fossils come from and the different types of soils. The children have particularly enjoyed looking at crystals and the different types of rock that can be found. We have been using the science skills of observing, classifying and recording this term. Thank you to everybody who has brought in crystals and different rocks to share with the class.

PSHE

Our PSHE has been focussed on learning all about our class and celebrating who we are. We have looked at the school values of resilience, respect, responsibility and kindness and how we might show these at school. In art we have used our PSHE topic of 'Being Me' to create a series of self portraits representing who we are. The children have worked fantastically hard at these and it has been so wonderful to see their creations come to life.

