



Year 3 Autumn 1

Knowledge Organiser



History We will explore the following enquiry question: How did life change in Britain during Prehistory? Which change was most significant to the way people lived?

Key Knowledge

The Stone Age began 4 million years ago.

The first people in Britain arrived 700,000 years ago.

The Stone Age is named after the stone tools that the earliest humans used to help them survive.

People in the Stone Age moved around from place to place with the seasons.

The Village of Skara Brae tells us a lot about life in the Stone Age.

In the Bronze Age bronze was used to make weapons and tools, and in the Iron Age, iron was used.

Cave paintings give us information about what life was like in the Stone Age.

Key Vocabulary

Neolithic

Mesolithic

Paleolithic

Cave paintings

Wattle and daub

Round houses

Stonehenge

Hillforts

Skara Brae

Science We will learn about rocks this half term.

Key Knowledge

Rock is a naturally occurring material.

There are different types of rock e.g. sandstone, limestone, slate etc. which have different properties.

Rocks can be hard or soft.

Rocks have different sizes of grain or crystal.

Rocks may absorb water.

Rocks can be different shapes and sizes (stones, pebbles, boulders).

Soils are made up of pieces of ground down rock which may be mixed with plant and animal material (organic matter).

The type of rock, size of rock pieces and the amount of organic matter affect the property of the soil.

Some rocks contain fossils. Fossils were formed millions of years ago.

Key Vocabulary

Rock, stone, pebble, boulder, grain, crystals, layers, hard, soft, texture, absorb water, soil, fossil, marble, chalk, granite, sandstone, slate, soil, peat, sandy/chalk/clay soil

Music We will be learning about the value of different musical notes and exploring some pieces from South Africa to help us with this.

Key Knowledge

To know that a ballad tells a story through song.

To know that lyrics are the words of a song.

Key Vocabulary

Ballad

Ensemble

Compose

Geography— We will be learning about cities and counties in the United Kingdom.

Key Knowledge

Middlewich is in the county of Cheshire.

Our nearest cities are Manchester, Chester and Liverpool.

There are rural (countryside) and urban (built up areas like towns and cities) areas in the UK.

Key Vocabulary

County
Human
Physical
Land-use
Agriculture
Rural

PSHE—We will be learning about how to celebrate our achievements and looking at our strengths and weaknesses.

Key Knowledge

Achievements can be big or small.

Achievements come from hard work and determination.

Key Vocabulary

strengths
skills
achievements
obstacle

RE—We will be considering the question, 'Does everyone believe in god?'

Key Knowledge

Christians believe God is three parts in one: Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. This is known as the Trinity.

Jews believe God made a covenant with the Jews. A covenant is a promise made with God.

Muslims believe there is one God who they call Allah (Arabic for God). Muslims describe Allah using 99 names such as 'The Most Merciful', 'The Inventor' and 'The Only, The Unique'.

Muslims do not draw or show images of Allah out of respect and because they believe Allah is unique.

Key Vocabulary

Holy Spirit
Trinity
creator
saviour
comforter
covenant
mandala

Other relevant information for this half term

English—This term we will be exploring the exciting story of 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura and using it to inspire our own descriptive and narrative writing.

Spelling— It is vital that children learn the year 3/4 statutory spellings and know the spelling rules associated with these words to apply to new and unfamiliar spellings. We will study these spellings and those with similar spelling rules and letter patterns in both spelling and handwriting lessons.

Reading— We cannot stress enough that children need to read and have their reading diaries signed 5 times a week. Children who don't read at home will read in Catch Up Club.

Maths— Place value and addition and subtraction will be the focus for this half term. There will also be a large emphasis on learning the times tables.

PE—The focus this term is dance. Children must have their full PE kits available in school every day.

Computing—This half term we will be focusing on online safety and blogging.

French—We will be learning French greetings.

Art—We will explore the work of art using mixed media.