



Tuesday 24th September 2024

Good afternoon,

We hope you have all had a lovely summer! We are so proud of how the children have settled back into school life and have adapted to their new learning environment.

In Year Three, we have started our literacy by focusing on our understanding of nouns and verbs. In these lessons the children have shared their developing knowledge in a range of group activities and discussions, as well as planning and writing a final written piece. It has been wonderful to learn so much about them and see their attention to detail continue to grow.

In maths, we have started our place value topic by recapping the children's understanding of building and reading three-digit numbers from Year Two. All the children have enjoyed the opportunity to work in pairs and use physical resources to build and partition numbers. Flexible partitioning can always be a challenge, but the children have shown great determination when learning these new skills and are becoming more confident after each lesson.

In history this term, we have introduced the Stone Age. In these lessons the children have been learning about the adaptations, and discussing the possible reasons for the extinction, for animals such as the woolly mammoth and sabre-toothed tiger. Alongside this, we have looked at artefacts such as hand axes and spear heads to try and develop a deeper understanding for what life was like for early humans.

In D.T we are looking at seasonal fruits and vegetables and the environmental benefits of eating seasonally. This week the children have also had an opportunity to develop their cooking skills as they have chopped and peeled carrots, apples, and bananas. We were very impressed with how sensible and safe the children were when handling knives and peelers and cannot wait to continue working towards our seasonal tarts.

In PE, children worked on developing their ball control in football and their coordination and strength in swimming. In football, the children have been experimenting with using different parts of their foot to control to ball and looking to find the space when passing. We are all very impressed with how quickly the children took to these skills, we definitely have some football stars in the making. The children greatly enjoy their P.E lessons as it is a great opportunity for them to develop their communication and teamwork skills. To make sure the children don't miss any lessons, please ensure that earrings are removed on P.E days. We would also like to say a big thank you to all those adults that have volunteered to help, it really does make a huge difference.

Best wishes,
The Year Three Team