

YEAR 4 | TERM 1 NEWSLETTER

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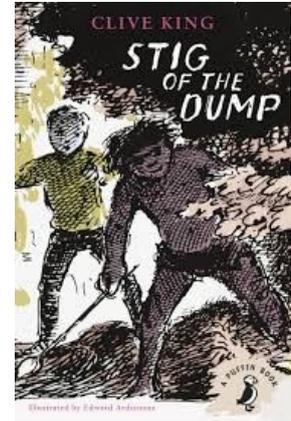


We are looking forward to starting our first exciting topic in the first term of Year 4 which will be focused on the prehistoric period of the Stone Age, Iron Age and Bronze Age.

WRITING

Our key text will be the classic adventure text *Stig of The Dump* by Clive King.

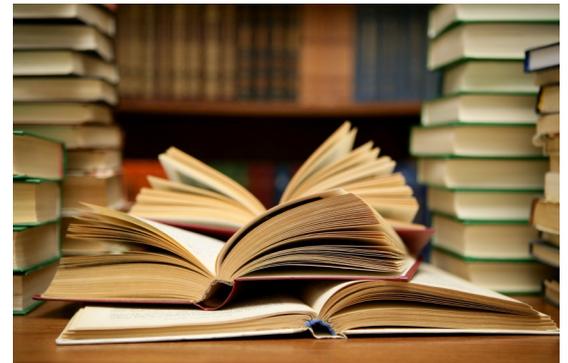
As we find out more about the character of Stig, we will be learning how to write engaging setting and character descriptions by creating a picture with our words. We will embed a range of grammar skills including noun phrases expanded by prepositions and modifying objectives as well as speech marks.



READING

Our guided reading sessions this term will focus on understanding the meaning of new words and inferring information using the clues given within *Stig of The Dump* by Clive King.

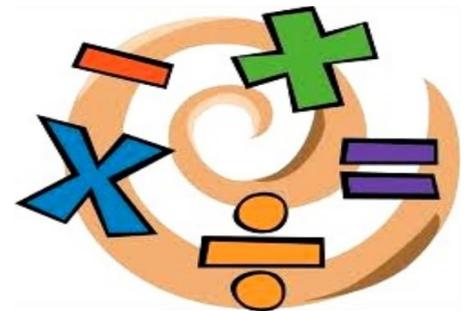
Please continue to read and discuss books with your child at home; the more the better. Who, What, Where, When, Why and How are good words to use when asking questions. If you would like more questioning ideas, please come and see us.



MATHS

This term our focus will be on place value (recognition of thousands, hundreds, tens and ones) before moving on to addition and subtraction. We will be learning new skills for each of these units and then applying them within problem solving challenges.

To help your child, please encourage them to add and subtract when an opportunity becomes available (e.g. counting money and checking change when in a shop). And keep practising those times tables!



TOPIC

In history we will be exploring what life was like in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We discover what advancements were made by early human beings as well as bust myths we may have about this time in history (e.g. we are not descended from apes!).



PE

Both classes will have two PE sessions every week. Woodpeckers will be Wednesday and Thursday, Kingfishers will be Tuesday and Wednesday. Each class will have a session of gymnastics (indoors) and netball (outdoors). As the weather becomes more autumnal, the children will need a pair of trainers, a warm jumper and jogging bottoms for outdoor PE.



Please make sure names are on all your child's PE kit.

HOME LEARNING

Home Learning Jigsaw Year 3/4 Summer Term

Please complete the home learning jigsaw over the term and bring in your work to share with the class.

Spellings will be given out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

Times tables will be tested weekly.

Please continue to read every day as well as practising spellings and times tables.

<p>Volcanos Find out about a famous volcano. Present the information you find to share as a poster or leaflet.</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>	<p>Stone age tribe Imagine your family as a stone age tribe. Describe the tribe.</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>	<p>If you could take 1 person or object back to the stone age, who or what would you take with you from 2017? Explain your choice with your family...</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>
<p>Draw a Stone Age village and label different things in the village in French eg. fire, house etc</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>	<p>Make a stone Age tool.</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>	<p>Stone age people didn't have a number system. Create your own way of counting. You might want to choose symbols to mean certain amounts!</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>
<p>Choose different types of rocks and describe how they are the same or different.</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>	<p>Write your own recipe for a stone age dinner using the sort of ingredients that would have been available.</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>	<p>Design a cave painting. The painting should show the daily activities that your tribe will do.</p> <p>Task Completed.....</p>

Dates for your diary

Friday 15th September: PFSA 50th anniversary summer fair 5pm-7pm.

Thursday 21st September: Year 4 Stone Age dress up day.

Week of 25th September: "Through the decades" themed week.

Monday 25th September: Non-uniform day (more details to follow).

Friday 29th September: parents are invited in to school in the morning to work with their children and have a picnic lunch (more details to follow).