

# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter: Autumn Term 2022/2023



We will start the term with a three-week unit on place value. This will be followed by a unit on addition and subtraction. For the remainder of the Autumn term, our focus will be on multiplication and division.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
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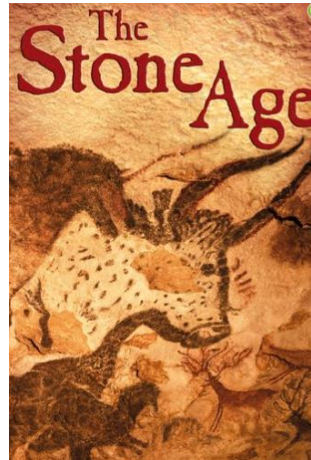


Reading, writing, phonics and SPaG continues to be taught daily. Reading lessons will focus on reading fluency, speed and accuracy as well as skills to further develop comprehension. This will be further supported through our Power of Reading teaching sequences, which focus on journeying through a text. Daily SPaG lessons will feed directly into our writing. Modelled and shared writing lessons lead to the children having the opportunity to plan, draft, edit and improve their writing.

Our focus is Rocks and Soil. Children will explore different types of rocks and become rock detectives! They will then investigate how planet Earth has different layers of rocks. Later in the term, we will move on to studying Animals and Humans.



### Ages and Stages



Over the course of the term, the children will look at life in Stone Age Britain. We will then look further afield at how continents and oceans have developed over time.

### Reminders

PE Days are **Tuesday** and **Friday** for both classes.

Please wear full PE kit on these days,



### RE



Homes: In this topic, we explore how God is present in every home. This is expressed in the love that binds each family.  
Promises: This will focus on the promises made at Baptism and Confirmation and how they are the call to a new way of life.  
Visitors: For Christians, this topic emphasises the coming of God, in the person of Jesus, 2,000 years ago at Bethlehem. He was not a passing visitor, but One who comes to dwell among us, the Word made flesh. The joyful expectation of Advent is an encouragement to take steps to recognise the coming of God into the world today, and to believe that in the future this same God will come again in glory.



### Humanities



This term's focus is Ages and Stages. In Geography, we will look at how our planet has changed and developed into the Oceans and Continents we know today. History will look at what life was like for our ancestors during Stone Age Britain.



### Creative Learning



In Art, we will be looking at how animals are portrayed through Art, we will begin by focussing on Stone Art and exploring cave paintings of animals. Our DT project, this term, will be a festive one where the children will be making Christmas stockings.



### PSHE



Our themes during PSHE lessons will focus upon 'Me and my relationships' followed by 'Valuing Differences', where children will identify and value differences and diversity.

## Ages and Stages Home Learning Project

Please complete each task over the term at home and have them in school by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

The best way to manage your time will be to complete one task per week.

As soon as you have completed a task, bring it into school to share with the class.

			
Create a world map detailing the Earth's Oceans and Continents.	Research and create a fact-file on daily life in Stone Age Britain.	Tell us a bit about you and your family using any media you like!	Create a 3D model of a Stone Age settlement using any materials you can find.
			
Create a piece of art connected to our 'Ages and Stages' theme.	Create your own timeline that details the events in Stone Age Britain.	Carry out an investigation into rocks and soils in your local area?	<u>WILD CARD:</u> Use your imagination and surprise us with a topic themed creation!

### Prayer Focus

Our worship and prayer throughout the year, is guided by the Liturgical calendar of the Church, with themes each week based on the Gospel reading for each Sunday. Alongside this, we will have specific focus each month on the following themes:

a) September: Being a Missionary Disciple

b) October: Our Lady of the Rosary

c) November: Remembrance

d) December: Our Advent Journey



## Supporting your child at home...

### Reading

In order to encourage your child to become a lifelong reader, it is important that reading experiences are positive so that they learn to read for pleasure. Reading to your child, sharing books with your child and listening to and praising your child's reading play a vital part of the process.

Children will either access texts from our Big Cat eBook Library or from the Oxford Reading Tree scheme depending on their phonics knowledge. Every child will also have a free choice books from the School Library to share and enjoy with you.

### Healthy child, Healthy mind!

#### CHILDREN Sleep Tips!



#### Bedtime Routine

with activities & habits the same every night



#### Consistent Bedtime

that allows the needed amount of sleep – during weekend too



#### Daily Exercise

to burn energy & increase body temperature



#### Set the Scene

with a calm atmosphere in a room that's cool & dark



#### Small Snack

before bed that is light & healthy - so not hungry



#### TURN OFF DEVICES

at least an hour before bedtime

### Online tools to support learning

