



# Abbey Hey Primary Academy

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Dear Parents

Welcome back! This half term, we will have a History focus learning all about The Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. Attached to this letter are your child's Knowledge Organisers which contain key facts, vocabulary and information about your child's learning in class. This will enable you to support your child's learning at home.

Our learning:

- In English, our class text will be Stig of the Dump, which is a narrative following the adventures of a little boy who, when exploring an old chalk pit, finds himself in a cave where he meets a strange boy who wears a rabbit skin and speaks in grunts. The two enjoy plenty of fun together.
  - Our focus in Reading lessons will be the skills of retrieval and inference.
  - In Writing, we will be producing a portal story and a non-chronological report.
  - In Maths we are focusing on addition and subtraction and later in the term, multiplication.
  - In Science, we will be learning about rocks and developing our scientific enquiry through investigations.
  - In History, we will be learning all about prehistoric settlements, communication and sources of food.
  - In R.E. we will be learning about the religions Judaism and Hinduism and why Holy Books are important to Jews and Hindus.
  - In P.E. we will be focussing on gymnastics, adapting sequences to suit different types of apparatus.
  - In Art, we will be creating cave art using natural resources.

Can we please ask that you support your child at home in ensuring they are practicing their 3-, 4-, and 8-times tables and the related division facts (i.e.  $2 \times 5 = 10$  and  $10 \div 5 = 2$ ). Can we ask that you also ensure that your child is reading to someone at home daily and that comments are written in their reading record book. Children will receive dojos when they have 3 parental comments in their reading record.

You can also use the information on their Knowledge Organisers to test their recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you.

On the reverse side of this letter, you will find information about key dates coming up this term as well as details of your child's home learning projects and PE days.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,  
The Year 3 Team

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## PE days

Jay – Monday

Robin – Thursday

Wren – Friday

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit in school on their PE day.

## Home Learning Projects:

- Write the diary entries as a child living in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age. What did you do? Where did you go?
- Research how the people in the Stone Age made music? Make a model of a 'Stone Age' instrument. Is it a percussion instrument, wind instrument or a stringed instrument? What would it have been made of?
- Research the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age and find vocabulary from that time. Make sure you can spell the words and know what they are. Write a guide for these words and their meanings. For example: Neolithic - the later part of the Stone Age, when ground or polished stone weapons and implements were used.
- Research cave paintings and create your own.
- Write a story set in the Stone Age
- Investigate different types of fossils.
- Write your own portal story.

## Dates for your Diaries:

14<sup>th</sup> November – Stone Age Day (more information will be sent home soon)

15<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need – wear your PJs to school

18<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening 3.30-4.30 (Robin Class and Wren Class)

19<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening 3.30-4.30 (Jay Class)

21<sup>st</sup> November – Parents Evening 3.30-6.00 (all classes)

29<sup>th</sup> November – own clothes day (more information will be sent home soon)

13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day

13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fair 2pm (children finish at 1.45)

13<sup>th</sup> December – Book bus in school

18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas party day (wear own clothes)

19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner

20<sup>th</sup> December – Finish for Christmas holidays at 2pm