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We are now half way through Year 3! We are really excited to see the children's progress continue this half term and have some really exciting learning opportunities lined up. The children are starting to get excited about our visit to Butser Ancient Farm so they can deepen their understanding of the changes that occurred between the Stone Age and the Bronze Age. If you are able to volunteer please let your child's class teacher know. We have a sewing DT project to look forward to- If you are handy with a needle please let us know as your help will be invaluable. Finally our Science topic will look at plants and how they grow and what they need to flourish. Thank you for your continued support.

Main topics and learning this half term:

D.T - Sewing

Science - Plants and Food

History - Bronze Age

We are continuing to develop our historical enquiry skills this half term focusing on identifying and explaining the significant changes that occurred as the stone age nomads settled to become the bronze age people.

In Science we will be revisiting plants and what they do to grow and thrive, the focus of this block is to recognise that plants can turn sunlight into food. We will also make a link between growing and the farming tackled by the Bronze Age farmers

Our D.T. topic this half term is Bronze Age purses. We have an exciting unit planned where the children design, prepare and sew their own design.

We have an exciting Book Week planned for the children with a wide range of activities and creative opportunities to explore our Year Group text which is Gina Kaminski - Saves the Wolf by Craig Bar-Green there is also book related quizzes and challenges throughout the week. We are also looking forward to seeing the children's World Book Day outfits. (more details to follow.)



We have begun our Maths learning this term by completing our unit about length and perimeter. We will then be learning about fractions of sets of objects, equivalent fractions and then adding and subtracting fractions.

How you can support your child's learning at home:

- Reading is fundamental to your child's further learning so please listen to your child read and discuss the texts they are reading on a regular basis regardless of their ability.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts will always be useful and will prepare them for the National Times Table check in Year 4. This half term we are focussing on **2, 5, 10 and 4 x tables**. Please make sure that your child is making use of their Times Tables Rock Stars log in. There are certificates each week for the children to try and earn.

Homework

Homework takes the form of learning conversations. You will find a topic of conversation related to your child's learning in their home-link book for each day of the week. We would love to hear how your conversations have gone so please make a note in the comments section in the home-link book. Spellings and times tables are sent home each week in this book too.

A few reminders:

- **PE will take now take place on Monday and Wednesday.** Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on these days, preferably leaving all watches and earrings at home on these days.
- **Our School Library time is on a Thursday afternoon.** This is the children's chance to change their library books so please help us by reminding the children to bring their books back. If they have finished their reading book before their designated library time, please let us know and we can arrange for them to exchange it for a new one.
- Spellings are tested on Fridays and new spellings are given out on the Friday too. Times tables are tested on a Thursday.