

Year 3 Newsletter

January 2018

Term 2 What does it mean to be a Historian?

For our topic this term, we will be looking at the skills needed to be a Historian and how we know all about the past. To do this, we will focus on the Stone Age period when Early man lived in caves and prehistoric animals roamed the Earth. In Literacy, we will be recording information in a variety of different ways, including a non-chronological report and documentary which we will be showing at the Showroom cinema in March!

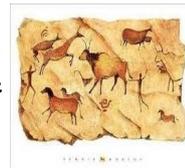


In Science, our topic is the human body where we will look at why skeletons are so useful and how we are able to move. We will also learn about rocks and fossils and how these tell us about life in the past.

School Visits

Firth Park Library Visit

We will visit the library for half a day this term. The children will listen to a story read by a library member of staff and then they will be able to use their library cards to borrow books.



The Showroom Cinema

Children will be visiting the cinema to show their documentary. Look out for your letter with more information about this!

Ideas For Helping at Home

If you would like to help with your child's learning at home here are a few ideas:

Reading - Encourage your child to read anything! Newspapers and magazines are a great way to get children engaged in reading. Your child can bring home a level appropriate book to enhance their reading skills. Please complete the Reading Record book together with your child. *Prizes for reading 50 and 100 books!*

Listen to them read then ask questions such as:

FICTION: Tell me about your favourite character. What was the problem in the story? What do you think might happen next?

NON-FICTION: What is the purpose of the text? What have you learnt from reading the text?

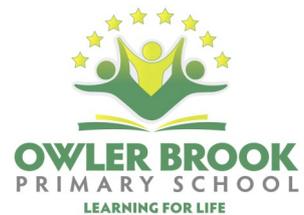
Spellings - Spellings are given every **Monday** and the spelling test will be on **Friday**.

Maths - Maths homework is given every **Wednesday**.

Practise the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables on a regular basis.

Practise number bonds to 20 and adding two 2 digit numbers mentally.

Learning log - A number of tasks supporting the learning we will be doing in school this half term will be set in your child's learning log. Children can choose one task to do each week and bring it back to school to be checked on **Monday**.



P.E.

This term class 5 will finish swimming and class 6 will start.

Please send your child with a suitable swimming kit — It **MUST** be swimming material.

Children need a P.E. kit in school at all times where possible. They are asked to include shorts or leggings, a T-shirt, a jumper (for outdoor) and suitable footwear.

NO JEWELLERY TO BE WORN

