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Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a relaxing break. It has been lovely to hear what the children have been up to over their holidays. We have launched straight back into our learning this term and have got to work on our new topic which is based on The Stone Age. We have already created our own cave art and are looking forward to learning more about life at that time.

## Main topics and learning this half term:

Magnets

The Stone Age

Making friends



This half term our main topic area is The Stone age – an exciting History topic where the children will be learning to:

- Suggest a suitable range of Historical questions and use a range of skills to help them investigate The Stone Age
- Explore a range of primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations and communicate their findings using appropriate vocabulary.
- Recognise and explain different viewpoints.
- Explain the significance of the era and how we know about it



### Our topic will link to lots of other areas of the curriculum:

- We are studying a book called Stone Age Boy, by Satoshi Kitamura, to help us learn about narrative writing.
- We will be the creators of our own cave art stories, based on photographs of real cave art discoveries.
- We are learning about the properties of magnets and magnetic materials in Science.
- In Maths, we are continuing to consolidate strategies for the four operations. We will be looking to develop our understanding of fractions, measures and time. All of these topics require quick recall of times tables so please keep working on them at home.

Our learning continues to link to the UN convention on the Rights of the Child. The children are able to talk about these rights in respect of their learning.



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

- Reading remains fundamental to your child's further learning so please listen to your child read on a regular basis regardless of their ability. If your child has Bug Club, please help them use it.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts will always be useful; Mymaths and Woodlands Maths Zone and Time Table Rock Stars are useful sites.
- Please record any activities that your child undertakes in their Home-link Book and ensure this is in school each day.

### Homework

Homework will continue to be set on a weekly basis and will be either an English or Maths based task for this half term.

Our next homework project will be set after half term.

### A few reminders:

- PE will take place on Wednesdays and Mondays this term. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on these days. However it is always useful for their kit to be in every day of the week; just in case.
- Our School Library time is on a Thursday afternoon.
- Dates for the diary: Cyber Safety parents' morning – Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> January – open to all parents, 12<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term, 19<sup>th</sup> February – INSET day.
- Spellings are sent home and tested on Fridays.