



Somerford Primary School

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to Spring term! It has been lovely to have your children back with us in Year 3.

Topic

This half term our topic is called '**Sticks and Stones**'. We will be learning all about the Iron age and how they lived and developed over time. We will be studying how people survived in the stone age and we will be using The Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura in our English sessions to develop our story writing skills. In Art we will be researching weaving and the artist Gunta Stolz. In science we will be looking at sorting types of rocks by their properties and researching the famous Archaeologist Mary Anning. In RE we will be discussing the Christian belief that Jesus was able to perform miracles and thinking about miracles we would like to perform if we were able to. In music we will be learning the song 'Three Little Birds' and using the glockenspiels to follow the beat. In PSHE we will be looking at 'Valuing difference' whilst also thinking about our personal development of becoming independent learners.

P.E will be focused on dance, creating short sequences of movement to tell a story. Outdoor P.E will focus on problem solving. A reminder that school P.E. kit should consist of a white t-shirt, blue or black jogging bottoms and blue or black shorts. Please ensure your child is wearing trainers or plimsolls on these two days. Please make sure children wear their school jumper to keep them warm during outdoor P.E sessions.

Homework:

Finally, can we remind you to continue to hear your child read at least 3 times a week and use Marvellous Me to record their reading (in line with the Home Learning Policy). Also, please encourage your child to practise their times tables using Times Tables Rock Stars. We will be focussing on x3, x4 and x8 times tables this half term so please take time to practice these with them.

Key dates for this term:

Thursday 19th January- Science Dome in school

Friday, 3rd February - Number Day

Monday 6th February- Children's Mental Health week- 'Dress to Impress' Day

Thursday 9th February – Last day of half term.

Friday 10th February – school closed to pupils for staff training.

As ever, should you have any concerns or questions please see me at the gate or contact me via 3sb@somerford.dorset.sch.uk.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Briant

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