

## Year 3 Term 2

### Curriculum Newsletter

## Blean Primary School



Dear Parents and Carers,  
Please have a look over our class curriculum for the coming term...

Learning Together to Enjoy and Achieve

### English and Reading:

This term, we will be exploring 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura as inspiration for writing diary entries and explanation texts to develop our understanding of life in the prehistoric times. Alongside this, we will continue to strengthen our reading comprehension skills through the text 'The Stolen Spear' by Saviour Pirotta where we will be focusing on retrieval, inference and vocabulary development.

### Maths:

We will continue to develop our understanding of addition and subtraction using formal column methods. We will learn to add and subtract two numbers both with and without exchange and will explore the relationship between operations through the use of inverse calculations.

### Science

Our topic this term is rocks, soils and fossils. We will learn how different types of rocks are formed, classify rocks based on their properties and create our own soil profiles to understand how soil is structured and formed over time.

### Computing:

We will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using tablets. We will apply those skills to create a story-based animation and will add other types of media to our animation, such as music and text.

### Art/DI:

We will be exploring how artists use colour to create mood and atmosphere. We will experiment with watercolours to produce washes and develop techniques for layering and blending.

### Music:

We will begin to learn basic notation through learning to play the recorder.

### PSHE:

This term we will look at 'Celebrating difference' exploring conflicts, solutions and feelings.

### History:

We will explore life during the Stone Age. We will learn how early humans hunted, gathered and began to settle. We will investigate how tools, homes and ways of life changed over time and consider what archaeological evidence can tell us about this period in history.

### PE & Games:

In PE this term, we will be developing our dance skills using a range of movement patterns.

### Spanish:

We will revise and learn new colours, learn classroom commands, days of the week and months of the year, and learn about how Christmas is celebrated in Spain.

### RE:

We will explore how people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate key festivals.

PE days are **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please keep an eye on WEDUC for any updates.

**Home Learning** is set on **Thursdays** on Google Classroom to be completed and handed in on **Tuesday**. Home Learning will now be a times tables task, a spelling task and daily reading.

*If they wish to, your child may carry out research or a creative project to showcase extra learning in any of the curriculum areas which interest them this term, although there is no obligation to do this. Please complete this extra learning in Home Learning books ready to share with the class at the end of the term.*

Please hear your child read daily and ensure that you record this in their reading record book. We are looking forward to a fantastic term working with you and your children.

**School Trip to Dover Museum: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.**

If you have any questions at all, please drop in and ask.

Sincerely,  
**The Year 3 team.**