

Stone Age to Iron Age

I hope you are all ready and excited to finally come back to school and see your friends after these long period of time that we have had away from school. We will be easing you back into the routine of school over the first few weeks and will be conducting some base line assessments to see where we are all at coming into Year 3. We will be focussing on the Stone Age in our Topic, with this also being covered through other lessons, such as English and Music.

Games will take place on Tuesday afternoons and our PE lessons are scheduled for Thursday afternoon. We please ask that children come to school in their PE kits on these days to help minimise the amount of time it takes to change.

We will soon start to send spellings home and these will be tested on every other Friday, with the new spellings scheduled to be released on the following Mondays. If you have any questions regarding anything about the upcoming school year please feel free to send an email to the school office (office@birches.staffs.sch.uk) who can direct the email to myself. Best Wishes, Mr Jones.

English

In English this term we are mainly focussing on spelling, punctuation and grammar. After such a long time away from school, we feel it important to ensure that the children are still able to form sentences correctly and include the literary techniques that they were starting to learn in Year 2. This will be done by focussing on different texts that the children will then write about.

Arts / Design Technology

In conjunction with our topic on the Stone Age, we will be learning about how to sketch images properly, how to draw a more accurate portrait and will be looking at making ink-based paintings.

Music: Using different instruments to play a tune

Computing: Coding/ Programs

MFL (French): Greeting/ Names

Topic

Our topic this term focusses on the Stone Age leading into the Iron Age. During this unit we will be covering timelines, hunting and gathering, religions and Stonehenge.

Maths

During this term we will be learning about place value and will start to study addition and subtraction later on in the term. We will be tying in any necessary content that was missed in Year 2 and building on it to meet the Year 3 expectations.

Science / STEM

We will be covering 'Rocks' during this term, which ties in well with our topic 'Stone Age'. We will be looking at how different types of rocks are formed and how rocks can be used by us in everyday life.

Religious Education: Rules of religion/ Religion in the home

PE / Games: Dance

PSHE / British Values: Me and my school/ Me and my relationships