

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024






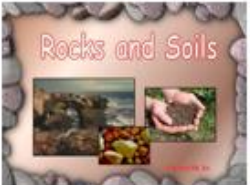



## Welcome to Year 3 – Autumn 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

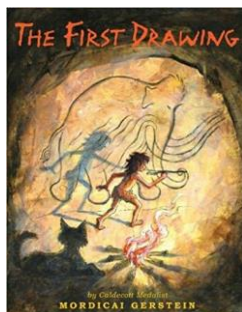
We would like to welcome all of you and your children to Year 3. We hope that you and your child have had a smooth transition into Year 3 and are as excited as we are to start a new year and begin their learning journey at Elmwood Juniors.

Our theme for this half term will be **Flint, Stones and Bones**. We will be focussing on The Stone age, rocks and soils and Hinduism in RE. The children will be starting their learning journey with an exciting entry point and then display their knowledge and skills that they have learnt in their exit point at the end of the topic.

### Theme:

<p><b>HALF TERM THEME</b> Flint, stones and bones</p> 	<p><b>Art</b> Charcoal</p> 	<p><b>Spanish/Music</b> Welcome to our school Rhythm</p> 
<p><b>History</b> The Stone Age</p> 	<p><b>Reading</b> The First Drawing – Mordicai Gerstein UG Genius of the stone age</p> 	<p><b>Science</b> Rocks and soils</p> 
<p><b>Computing</b> Digital skills and Online safety</p> 	<p><b>PSHE</b> Being Me in My World</p> 	<p><b>RE</b> Hinduism</p> 

In **English** and **Reading** our focus books will be:



In **Maths**, the children will be learning about:

- Place Value - adding and subtracting 1, 10 and 100 to a 2-digit number, moving on to 3-digit numbers when they are confident.
- Time - analogue and digital
- Addition and subtraction - using number bonds to add 2-digit numbers, rounding numbers to nearest 10 and 100.
- 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Finding a fraction of a set of objects ( $\frac{3}{4}$  of 12 is 9)
- Recognise 3D shapes and identify properties of 2D shapes

## PE

Please ensure that your child wears the correct PE uniform on their PE days.

A list of PE kit can be found in the front of the Home-School Diary.

<p><b>3S</b> Tuesday Thursday</p>	<p><b>3R</b> Tuesday Friday</p>	<p><b>3C</b> Thursday Friday</p>	<p><b>3B</b> Tuesday Thursday</p>
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## Homework

Spelling and Maths homework will start from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024.  
Please start the reading homework from now.

Daily	Friday	Friday
<p>Reading for 15 minutes. If your child finishes their colour band book, they can also read the book borrowed from the school library, an e-book on SORA or any book that they have at home.</p>  <p>Your child must read and have their home school diary signed by an adult every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. <b>If a signature is missing, children will be asked to read during playtime on Friday.</b></p>	<p>Spellings will be set on a Friday and tested the following Friday</p>  <p>Please spend a few minutes each day going over them with your child.</p>	<p>My Maths tasks will be set on a Friday for completion by the following Friday morning.</p> 

This year, the school will have a renewed focus on the children reading (and parents signing their home school diary) every night. Having clear communication between us through the diary will help to develop the habit of reading and hopefully lead to a life-long love of it. We understand how busy your lives can be so we thank you for your support in this.

## Dismissal from school

Please help us to keep the children safe and happy at the end of the day by keeping back behind the cones that will be on the playground floor. We will look for you and send your child to you as soon as we have both seen you. Please do not call your child over to you without a member of staff saying it is alright for them to go.

## General Information:

- Please make sure all clothing is labelled. Including coats and hats.
- Please ensure that your child has a water bottle at school. The bottle can only contain water, please do not send in juice or squash.
- Your child is allowed to bring in a playtime snack of fresh fruit. This does not include items such as fruit winders or fruit cake bars.
- Please check your child's bag and diary daily for any letters and other information.
- If your child has a packed lunch, please ensure that it is a healthy meal – no chocolate or cakes.
- Please do not send umbrellas into school. If it is raining, take the umbrella from your child before they enter the gate.

If you or your child has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact their class teacher.

We look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September** at 3:20 in the school hall for our Meet the Staff meeting, where you will be able to ask any more questions that you have.

Best wishes,

The Year 3 team

