

# Autumn term in Year 3



THE FOREST VIEW ACADEMY

## English

We start our composition unit by looking at the genre 'diaries'. We look at what a diary entry is and all of its features. Then we move onto our first book study of the term 'The Stone Age Boy' it is a fantastic book! We also will be working hard doing some independent writing to apply our skills and create pieces of writing such as a description of an autumn forest and a recount of a Stone Age day in the life.

We are reading...



## Maths

In maths we start by focusing on place value and then move onto embedding and improving our skills using the 4 operations. We use formal methods for addition and subtraction, solve reasoning problems and begin to multiply and divide by larger numbers.

## Art

We begin our artistic journey in year 3 by looking at and creating our own cave art. This links really well to our history topic of 'The Stone Age'. We then move onto looking at Andy Warhol and his Pop Art. We explore the range of techniques that he used and produce a piece of creative work in the style of his work.



## Science

Our science topic for autumn 1 is Rocks and Soils. We examine different types of rocks and learn all about their properties. We even try to make our own sedimentary rock!

In autumn 2 we start our topic of Light where we investigate different light sources and learn some brilliant facts for example, light only travels in straight lines.



## Geography/History

We look at different settlements in Geography. We investigate the settlement of Creswell and use ordnance survey maps to identify physical and human features. We look at how settlements evolved throughout history and how human activity has changed the natural environment around us.

In history we learn all about the different stages of the stone age through to the iron age. We explore how archaeologists put together facts to understand what life was like.



## DT

We design and make a frame to hold a fossil for display we learn to make a basic frame using sawing techniques with Card and glue to join. We then evaluate and then design and make an improved version.

In the run up to Christmas we also do some textiles and do some sewing to create a Christmas decoration.

## Music

In Music, we will be using the BBC 'Ten Pieces' scheme to explore George Frederick Handel's Zadok the Priest. Also, we will begin to learn how to play the pBuzz instrument.



## PSHE/RE

In RE in Autumn 1 we study Mother Theresa, her life story and what sainthood means. In Autumn 2, we look at the Christmas story and understand the role of the key people involved. In PSHE we look at relationships, different families and how to set personal boundaries.

## Computing

In Computing, we will learn how to touch type and how we can be safe when online. Also, we will look at word processing.



## PE

In Real PE we focus on a cog each half term.  
Cog Focus 1: Personal  
Cog Focus 2: Social  
We begin by focusing on coordination and foot work. And then move on to developing our ability to balance to agility, jumping and landing