



1st March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have had great fun being archaeologists and exploring some Stone Age artifacts during our history lesson, they asked lots of questions to try to discover what the object was and what it might have been used for. We were impressed by the range of interesting questions that they asked. They also looked at a timeline of when the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age was and tried to imagine what it would be like to live during these times. This topic has been complemented by reading *Stone Age Boy* by Satoshi Kitamura. In science, the children have started work on their new topic, 'Plants'. They have set up an experiment which will run throughout the remainder of the term, investigating what a plant needs to grow successfully. Our new topic in RE is called, 'Why is prayer important to Muslims'.

Forest school: We will be going to the forest on **Tuesday 5th March**. Please ensure your child is dressed in appropriate outdoor clothing and **brings a change of shoes**.

Reminder: It is **World Book Day on Thursday 7th March**. Your child is very welcome to dress up as a favourite book character or in pyjamas and remember there is the Harry Potter lunch option to choose from on that day! If you have book donations to bring in, please bring them in on Monday.

Home Learning: Reading Please try to read with your child as often as you can, we are having a big push on reading skills and extra reading at home will support the hard work your child has been doing in school. All the children have been given a log in to **Collins Big Cat** and books to read will be set on there. There will also be a sheet of activities on **Teams** to complete if your children would like to add to their learning and their work can be uploaded back onto Teams to share with the class. Activities will also be set on **Mathletics**.

In Maths, we will be:

- Ordering lengths.
- Adding and subtracting lengths.
- Calculating the perimeter of different shapes.

In English, we will be starting our new unit on 'adventure stories.' Through this, we will read and study *Stone Age Boy* by Satoshi Kitamura. Next week, we will be orally retelling the story and making our own story maps.

In spelling, we will be focusing on words ending in '-l' when the base word ends in 'le'. E.g. simple → simply.

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gently	humbly	simply
terribly	nobly	incredibly
durably	wrinkly	possibly
responsibly		

Spring 2

earth
eight
eighth
enough
exercise
experience
experiment
extreme
famous

We will be focusing on words ending in '-ly' when the base word ends in 'le'.

E.g. simple -> simply.



Year 3/4 Spelling List – for reference

Year A			
accident	earth	length	regular
accidentally	eight	library	reign
actually	eighth	material	remember
address	enough	medicine	sentence
answer	exercise	mention	separate
appear	experience	minute	special
arrive	experiment	natural	straight
believe	extreme	naughty	strange
bicycle	famous	notice	strength
breath	favourite	occasion	suppose
breathe	February	occasionally	surprise
build	forwards	often	therefore
busy	fruit	opposite	though
business	grammar	ordinary	although
calendar	group	particular	thought
caught	guard	peculiar	through
centre	guide	perhaps	various
century	heard	popular	weight
certain	heart	position	woman
circle	height	possess	women
complete	history	possession	
consider	imagine	possible	
continue	increase	potatoes	
decide	important	pressure	
describe	interest	probably	
different	island	promise	
difficult	knowledge	purpose	
disappear		quarter	
early	Year B	question	
	learn	recent	