



Where children come first

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## Year 3 & 4 Autumn Newsletter

Dear Families,

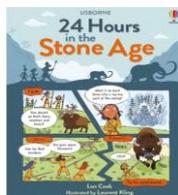
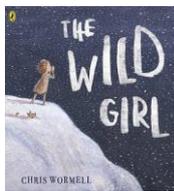
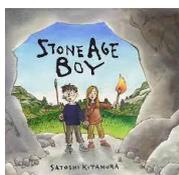
What a positive start we have had to the year. It has been so lovely to see so many children in and around school enjoying their learning. We have already had a busy few weeks getting settled into our new classes and year groups.

### Could I have survived the Stone Age?

We have made a good start on our topic for this half term and are all really enjoying looking into the past and exploring life in the Stone Age. We have already created some fantastic Stone Age jewellery that we are excited to wear on our big finish day at the end of term. Later on the term, we will be exploring Stone Age food, housing and most excitingly of all- weapons!

### Class texts

We will be looking at the following texts this half term to support our learning.



### Autumn 2

Our topic after half term is science based called 'Healthy Body, Healthy Mind' and our Big Question will be 'How do I keep myself healthy?'

### Supporting your child at home

As you know, we don't set formal homework each week but we do ask that you support us with some learning at home. We feel that it is really important that the children get into good habits with home working as well as giving you an opportunity to see how they are progressing in different areas of the curriculum.

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<p><b>Regular Reading</b> Your child should have a reading book that they bring home each day in their reading folder. We ask that the children or you make at least 3 entries into their reading records so that we can track how they are getting on. They can also go on Reading Plus at home.</p>	
<p><b>Regular Times Tables Practice</b> Children in year 4 will be taking part in the national multiplication check and therefore it is important that they practise their tables as much as possible. For the children in year 3 it is great for them to get a head start and practise both TTRockstars in school and at home.</p>	
<p><b>Learning Spellings</b> Each child should be set 10 spellings from the weekly spelling lists for year 3 and 4 which will be given in the yellow spelling books which the children keep in their reading folders. You can practise them for the weekly test in any way that is helpful.</p>	

**Celebration Assemblies**

We use our weekly assemblies to praise and celebrate the children's achievements in a variety of ways. Certificates are awarded to children who demonstrate the virtues of the school, do well at times tables and 'level up' in Reading Plus. It is also nice to celebrate children's achievements outside of school and we encourage children to tell us so we can also share it in assembly. We also use assemblies to remind children about the importance of good attendance.



**How can I keep up to date with everything?**

Please keep a look out for Marvellous Me notifications where we will continue to celebrate successes and notify you of any further updates. We look forward to welcoming you into school in November for parents evening. Letters and updates will be emailed and the website is regularly updated too. We're all available for a quick chat in the playground before and after school should you need to catch us; please do come and say hello.

Thank you for your continued support and as ever, please do not hesitate to approach us with any issues.

Kind regards,  
Miss Jones (Year 3 & 4 Phase Leader) and the LKS2 team.



Miss Jones 4LJ      Mr Lowman 4PL      Miss Lackenby 4AL      Miss Sharpe 3SS      Mrs Robinson 3LR      Miss Illingworth 3LI

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