



**Whitefriars
School**

Year
3 Curriculum
Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM 2021-2022

Dear Parents / Carers of Year 3,

In English this term, pupils will be learning about narratives and non-fiction writing and basing these on the book *Stone Age Boy* by Satoshi Kitamura. In the second half of the Autumn term, our focus will be on writing recounts and reports based on our Topic of the Romans.

Our focus author this year is **Chris Van Allsburg** and pupils will have opportunity to read different books, such as *The Polar Express* and *Jumanji*.

In Maths this term we will be focusing on place value before moving onto addition and subtraction, followed by multiplication and division. We will also continue to focus on our Maths Passports which will help to underpin learning in number and calculation. It would be really useful if you could help your child learn their multiplication tables.

Our topic for the first half term is '**How did Britain change from the Stone Age to the Iron Age?**' This will involve learning about the very first inhabitants of Britain and how farms and villages developed. In Autumn 2, after half term, our topic is '**What impact did the Romans have on Britain?**' This topic will be focusing on how the ancient Romans travelled to Britain and how this changed the lives of early Britons.

In order to support your child's progress, please take note of the following:

- **Home Learning** will be given to the children on **Friday** and is expected back the following **Tuesday**. Help your child to complete their Home Learning tasks each week to the best of their ability.
- Individual reading books will also be sent home and should be brought back every week; it will really help support your child's progress if you to read and ask him / her questions about what is happening in the story.
- Talk to your child about what he/she has enjoyed and learned that day.
- Ensure your child has plenty of sleep and a nutritious breakfast, ready for their brains to engage in superb learning!
- Help your child to practise the words on your child's spelling list, ready for their weekly spelling test! Encourage them to use the **look, cover, write, check** strategy.
- Ensure your child comes to school on **Monday** and **Wednesday** dressed in their **PE** kits, ready to enjoy their PE lessons for the week. This will allow your children to progress in their skills and teamwork.

Thank you for your support.

**Mrs Hardman, Miss Walters and Miss Abukar
Year 3 Class Teachers.**