

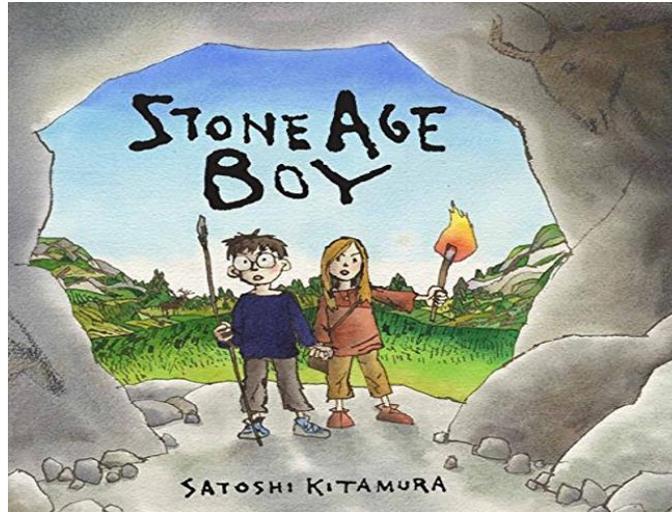
## St Martins School Activate Phase Spring Term 1 Overview Year 3

**Theme Rationale** Year 3 will explore the theme of British pre-history, with an emphasis on the Stone Age. Where possible the topic will link to literacy, music and art.

**ICT** Year 3 will be looking at Computer Programming. The children will be introduced to the concept of computer programming using the context of games development.

**History** Year 3 will find out about the lives of people living in Britain during the Stone Age. We will investigate the time line of the Stone Age, homes (Skara Brae), food and cave paintings.

**Science** Year 3 will study rocks during this half term. We will look at the categorisation of rocks into three groups, igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. We will study fossils and look at the life of palaeontologist Mary Anning. Finally, we will study soil formation and permeability.



**RE** Year 3 will explore the questions how should I lead my life and what do religious traditions say how we should treat one another?

**Maths** This half term, Year 3 will cover multiplication and division with particular emphasis on the 3x, 4x and 8x tables. We will practise solving problems using these tables, plus the 2x, 5x and 10x tables. Year 3 will be introduced to the idea of decimals with tenths. We will also recognise, find and write fractions related to known times tables. We will recognise and show equivalent fractions. We will also add / subtract and order / compare fractions with the same denominator.

**PSHE** Good to be me.

**Literacy** This half term, Year 3 will cover two units:

Narrative writing, based on Stone Age Boy. The children will learn how to describe settings and develop characters (how they act and feel) using expanded noun phrases and appropriate verbs choices. They will also make good verb choices in order to move the action on in a story. Finally, they will collate ideas for a story, plan and write it.

Non-fiction writing – the children will write an information text about a mammoth. They will use the story of the Gruffalo to pick out important information about a creature – how can we describe such an animal to other people. Then we will study information texts to learn about their structure and features before researching mammoths and writing their own.

**PE** Swimming, dance and keep fit.

**Music** Year 3 will follow the scheme, Musical Contexts, and the section “Water”.

**French** Year 3 will continue to cover some basic French conversation, involving singing the song “le fermier dans son pré”, counting up to 20, understand classroom instructions in French and playing a game using some French phrases.

**Art** Following our topic of the Stone Age, we will investigate cave paintings. We will create ‘cave paintings’ using paint and charcoal.