

Dear Parents and Carers,

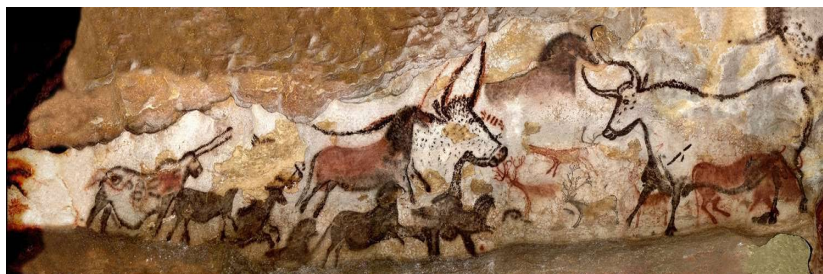
Welcome to Year 3 and the start of a very exciting year of learning opportunities. The staff teaching in Year 3 will be Heather Curtis with Miss Donna, Miss Martha and Miss Emma supporting the class. If you should have any brief queries please do mention them at the classroom door otherwise for anything else please do send an email to [info-BL@brindisheschools.org](mailto:info-BL@brindisheschools.org)

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Best wishes,

The Year 3 Team

Our main theme will be **Changes from Stone Age to Iron Age** with cross-curricular links in English, Science and Art.



In **English** we will start by developing our non fiction skills by writing biographies about Mary Anning. To support our research on her we will be using the text 'Stone Girl, Bone Girl'. Then we will develop our descriptive writing skills with the help of the key text 'The First Drawing'. The focus this term will be on securing use of punctuation and sentence structure. We will be celebrating and encouraging reading this term with a Readathon!

Our **Maths** learning will focus on Number and Place value to include working with 100's and 1000's before looking at addition and subtraction. A continuing focus for the year will be for the children to know their times table facts, starting with a review of 2x, 5x, and 10x before moving on to 4x,8x,3x and 6x.

In **Art** the children will develop their drawing skills using charcoal. The children will be encouraged to make confident and expressive marks to show movement and character inspired by our focus artist this term; London based artist Laura McKendry. The children will also explore art history by learning about cave art.

Our theme in **Music** will be *Let your Spirit Fly* - a unit which focuses on mixed music genres e.g. R&B, Classical and Western. Each child in the class will also have the opportunity to participate in a guitar lesson with the school guitar teacher.

This term in **Religious Education (RE)** the children will learn about Buddhism with a focus on The Buddha and his teachings.

This term our **Science** learning will be all about Rocks and Soils. The children will have opportunities to explore the different types of rocks we have in our school environment, handle a wide range of rocks to develop their identifying, classifying and grouping skills as well as learn all about how fossils are made!

In **PSHME** the children will learn about Rights Respecting to include respecting ourselves and others. We will also have a focus on healthy relationships and the importance of respecting boundaries.

In **MFL** the Spanish learning this term will focus on speak and listening to develop conversational skills.

This term the children will be finding out about Computer Systems and Networks in their **Computing** lessons where they will be able to make the most of our updated tech hub with new computers and laptops!



**Outdoor PE**

(Tuesday) -

Netball

**Indoor PE**

(Friday) - Fitness

Please send your child to school on these days

wearing an outfit appropriate for PE. This could include leggings,

shorts or

tracksuit bottoms, a t-shirt,

sweatshirt or

hoodie. Footwear should be trainers without a wedge

or platform. Jewelry must not be worn and long hair should always

be tied back.

Half Termly

Project

This will be a creative project to do at home

throughout the term and brought in to present to the class. More details

to follow shortly!

Home Learning

Children will have weekly work set in their reading

response books as well as regular tasks to complete

on sumdog.