

## Ash, Birch and Pine Curriculum Information Autumn Term 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term we are continuing our Stone Age topic but with lots of extras added in. We will be kicking off the half term with a focus on the Hindu celebration of Diwali, including a special visit to the local Hindu Temple. We are also looking forward to our Stone Age day on 24th November. We are really excited about practising and performing our Christmas play 'Bah Humbug'.

Below, there is an outline of the subjects we are covering and the general areas of work within them.

<p><b>English</b>            *Instruction reading and writing based on the book 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth'            *Grammar and spelling            *Comprehension and guided reading using Terry Deary's Stone Age Tales</p>	<p><b>MFL</b>            *German (at various times in each class)</p>	<p><b>Computing</b>            *Algorithms and programming.</p>
<p><b>History/Geography</b>            *Stone Age to Iron Age, what changes happened and placing events on time lines.            *Settlements, including where is Skara Brae and what can we tell from these amazing remains.</p>	<p><b>Art/DT</b>            *Making Skara Brae models            *Cooking            * Stone Henge silhouette pictures.</p>	<p><b>RE</b>            This term we will be having themed days based around            *Diwali (November)            *Christmas (December)</p>
<p><b>PE</b>            *Floor gymnastics            *Yoga            *Dance</p>	<p><b>Music</b>            *Practising and performing the songs for our Christmas performance, as well as lots of Christmas carols</p>	<p><b>PSHE</b>            *Being me in my world            *Celebrating Difference</p>

**Maths** will focus on developing understanding of place value and patterns in number, learning addition and multiplication facts and applying these, securing key skills of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, and extending strategies to use with these. Children will be strongly encouraged to learn number facts, such as times tables, measure and money facts, time telling etc.

### PE

Your child will have PE on the following days. It is essential that children are wearing suitable footwear for PE on their designated days.

Class	PE days
Ash	Monday and Wednesday
Birch	Wednesday and Friday
Pine	Monday and Wednesday

Thanks a lot for your continuous support,

The Lower School Team

Homework will routinely consist of the following:

- Weekly spellings to learn and be tested
- Daily reading and talking about reading books
- Maths skills using Mathletics
- Learning times tables