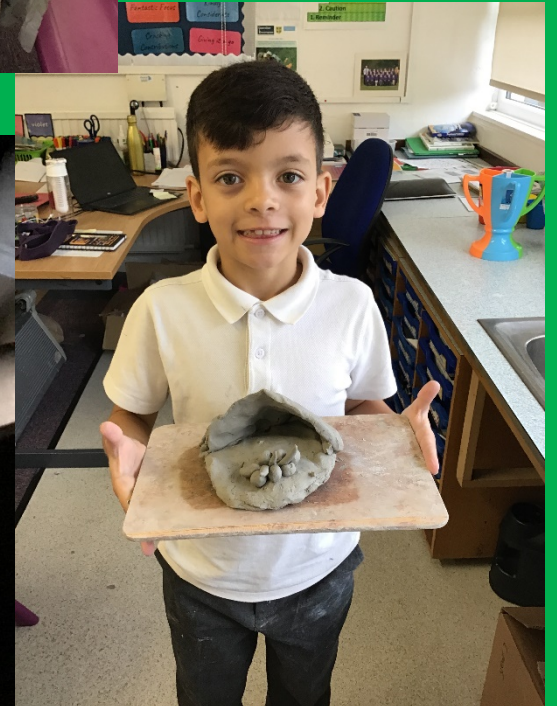
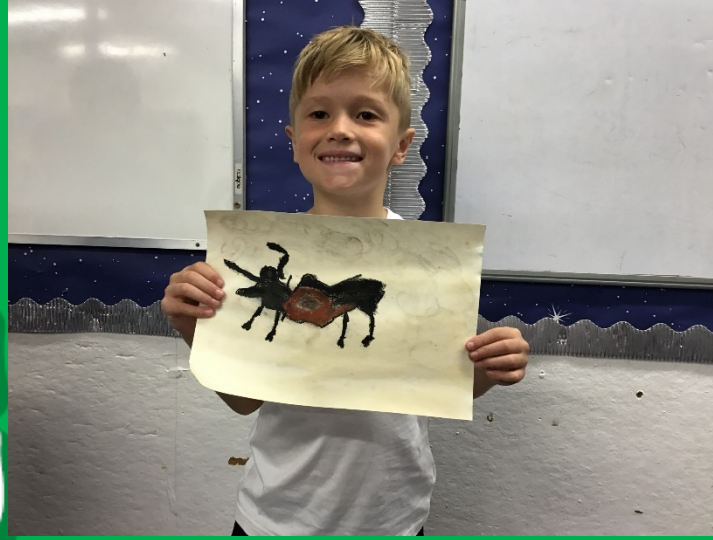


Dereham Church Of England Junior Academy

Welcome parents
and children!



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Who Is Who



Mrs Scott
Head teacher



Mr Dack
Deputy Head



Mr King
Year 3 leader



Mrs Hathaway
Pastoral Worker
Year 3+4



Who Is Who- Gandhi Class



Mrs Allott
Mon-Tues



Teaching Assistant
Miss Trumm



Mrs Gardiner
Wed- Fri



Who Is Who- Keller Class



Miss Massingham



Teaching Assistant
Mrs Scott



Who Is Who- Mandela Class



Mr Lyons
(Mon)



Teaching Assistant
Mrs Calver



Miss McKay
(Tues-Fri)



Who Is Who- Curie Class



Mr King



Teaching Assistant
Miss Mitchell



Communication from us

- Newsletters
- Letters/emails
- MyEd
- Postcards
- Facebook
- Phone calls
- Speaking at pick up times

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Year 3 Newsletter

Key Info
If you would like your child to be able to go onto the playground and use the trim trail, please give them a spare pair of trainers or welly boots. Many thanks

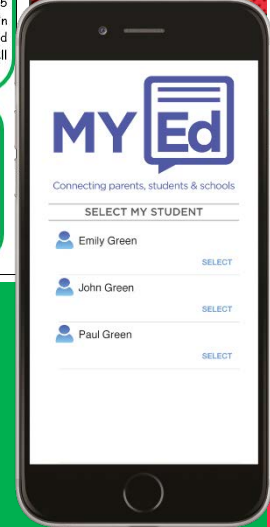
Reading
Reading continues to be incredibly important for our children especially considering how much time they have missed out on. Please please read with your child it is the most effective way that you can support their education.

Maths
We are continuing to work on our division skills. We have worked on sharing and grouping. Many of us have used a bar model to help us. We continue to work on the 4 times table.

Year 3 trips
We are preparing two trips this year. One to Great Yarmouth where we will visit the beach as well as the Time and Tide Museum. The other trip will be to Bewilderwood. The rough costing of these trips is less than £15 each and both of these trips will be in the Summer Term. We thought you'd like to know the approximate cost well in advance. Details to follow.

English
Children have finished writing their Up story and are now looking at poetry based on the famous people from history we have learnt about. These poems will celebrate the achievements of some amazing individuals.

Topic
We have looked at friction with Da Vinci and magnets with William Gilbert. This week we looked at protest music with help from Nina Simone whose record discussing racism in America was returned to her office broken in half by many radio stations in the American south. We have been creating our own protest songs using the Chrome Books



Dereham Church of England Junior Academy
21 Jul · 🌐

A huge **WELCOME** to all the new Year 3 pupils AND many new students in other years too who are joining us this week. Welcome to a truly wonderful school! 😊

👍❤️ Katie Dawn and 27 others

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How to communicate with us

- Phone/email/visit the office
- MyEd
- Adults on the front gate every morning who can relay a message.

Behaviour

- Positive relationships
- Recognition board
- House points
- Golden tickets
- Learner of the week
- Maths monkey
- Postcards home



A very simple behaviour policy
which includes just three school
rules and logical consequences

Be respectful

Be safe

Be ready



Mental Health and Wellbeing

- We have RSHE lessons which all contain slides and a chance to talk about mental health.
- A children's wellbeing/mental health group.
- Pastoral workers.
- A staff who are supportive of children.
- Worry boxes in each class

Children's mental health week 6-12 Feb 2023

Resilience

School trips

BeWILDerwood **£14.90***

Time and Tide museum+ beach time **£12.76***



***Last Years Prices**

Children who are Pupil Premium/Free School Meals

- Extra money for the school
- Help with trip costs
- Access to a Chrome book which the children can use for their time with us.

Eligibility

- Universal credit- with a net income of less than £7400
- Income support
- Jobseekers are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an allowance
- Child tax credit, provided that you have a gross income of £16,190 or less
- Children who are or have been in care
- Armed forces children (slightly different)
- Anyone who had free school meals or were eligible for free school meals in the last 6 years.



Key dates

Fire Building day

Individual and sibling photos

Parent's evenings

Curie and Keller shadow puppet..

Mandela and Gandhi shadow pu..

Friday 23rd September

Monday 3rd October

Wednesday 19th October 3:30-7:15

Thursday 20th October 4:00-6:30

Tuesday 13th December 9:30-10:30

Wednesday 14th December 9:30-10:30



Homework expectations

Straight away

- 3 X 15 minute reading with an adult per week- noted in a signed reading record due every Friday.

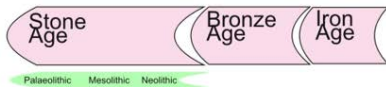
After half term...

- 2 X 10 minutes- Spelling Shed
- 2 X 10 minutes- Timestable Rockstars

How you can help your child?

- Use the knowledge organisers to recap what they have learnt/ what they are going to learn.

Stone Age



Eras of the Stone Age (Week 1)

The Stone Age began 2.5 million years ago and ended in the UK around 4000 years ago. The Stone Age was split into 3 eras (periods of time).

- Palaeolithic Era**- This is the oldest part of the Stone Age. It is from around 2.5 million years ago to around 10,000BC. The end of the **Palaeolithic era** comes about because of the ending of the last **Ice Age**.
- Mesolithic Era**- This is from 10,000BC to around 4500BC. The world climate got warmer which caused seas to rise and the UK to become an island for the first time. Previous to this there has been land connecting the UK to the rest of Europe.
- Neolithic Era**- This is the newest part of the Stone Age and lasted from around 4000BC to around 2000BC
- Bronze Age**- This started around 2500BC in the UK. It marks the first time that people used metal work.

Primary Sources and Secondary Sources (Week 2)

- Primary Source**- These are items, writings or architecture that are **from the time we are studying**. Primary sources from the Stone Age time may include preserved mammoth, Stone from Stone Age Houses or from Stone Age axes. There are not many Primary Sources from the Stone Age because most will have rotted.
- Secondary Sources**- These are replica items, books about the Stone Age or recreations. **Secondary sources are produced after the time being studied**- Some secondary sources include: Horrible Histories, a replica axe of Stone Age tent

Different shelters (Week 3)

There were three main shelters in the Stone Age.



- Caves**- mainly used in the **Palaeolithic Era**
- Tents**- Made of animal hide- often used in the **Mesolithic Era** they were useful to be able to follow herds of animals before people began farming
- Stone Round/Rectangular Houses**- Mainly used in the **Neolithic Era and Bronze Age** when people started to stay in one place to farm crops and animals.

Skara Brae (Week 4)

- Skara Brae** is one of the most complete **Neolithic** Stone Age settlements found in the world. It is found on one of the Scottish Orkney Islands.
- This **Primary source** showed us that the **Neolithic** Stone Age people had things similar to us nowadays including: beds, cooking equipment and cupboards!



Stone Age Tools (Week 5)

- Stone Age tools started off very simply in the **Palaeolithic Era**- mainly sharp stone. As the Stone Age progressed into the **Mesolithic period**, wooden handles be used. They would be attached using string made from stinging nettles or glue made from sap and spit! Many tools like axes look very similar to the axes we still use today. When **Archaeologists** find tools they only find the stone parts as the wood will have rotted away.



Stone Age Religion/ Stone Henge (Week 6)

- Because there was no writing it's tricky to understand whether the Stone Age people had a religion or not. We do know that they buried their **dead with objects** which shows they cared about what happened to the dead. They also built **Barrows** (see picture). These were places where the ashes of dead people were put.
- Stone Henge** is an amazing set of standing stones. No one quite knows what **Stone Henge** was used for- Some people say its tracks the night sky and so could be some kind of **calendar or clock**. Many other people **believe** it's a place to **worship gods (possibly a sun god)**. Again because there is no written evidence it's hard to say for certain. What is certain is that it was extremely hard



and **took hundreds of years to finish**. Many of the Stones had to be transported from Wales which is over 150 miles away!

Local Stone Age (Week 7)

There are two amazing **primary sources** found in Norfolk

- Grimes Graves** near Thetford is an amazing Stone Age **flint mine**. Local people would have mined the flint to create axes and other tools.
- Sea Henge** - This ceremonial site was discovered in 1998 near to **Hunstanton**. A recreation of it can be found in King Lynn museum.



Stone Age changes (Week 8)

- We can see from the map that the UK as we now know it would have been **connected to mainland Europe**. As the seas rose because the **Ice Age** ended this land was flooded and **Great Britain became an island**.
- Stone Age didn't end for everyone in the world at the same time. While the **UK** was in the **Mesolithic/Neolithic Era** there were many more **advanced civilizations** in the world that were in their **Bronze Age**. This included **Ancient Egypt** and **Ancient Rama** which was a **civilization** that had towns which had been planned out in advance. **Ancient Rama** is found in modern day **India and Pakistan**.



How you can help your child?

- Help your child to read 3 x per week
- Talk to them about their day
- Watch the maths videos on the website
- Talk positively about school (even if things go wrong)
- Keep making them resilient