

Welcome back!

Year Three Class

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2018

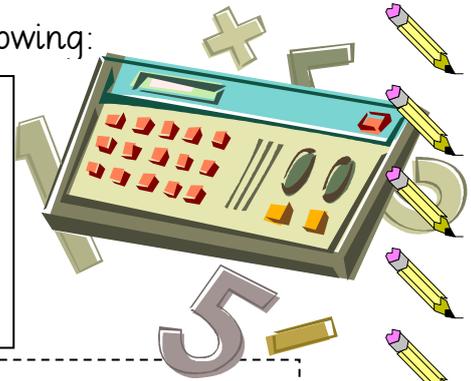


Welcome back, we hope you have all had a fantastic summer holiday and had a relaxing and enjoyable break. Our Year 3 team, Miss Gray, Miss Gilmore and Mrs Winterbottom, are all really looking forward to working with your children and making sure that they enjoy their time at school and be the best that they can be.

Over the next half term we will be focusing on the following:

#### **Maths**

We will start off the term focusing on place value; looking at different ways to represent 100 and 1000, partitioning 3 digit numbers, ordering, comparing and placing numbers on a number line. We will also be focusing on 10 more/less and 100 more/less. Our times tables focus will be on the 3x tables.



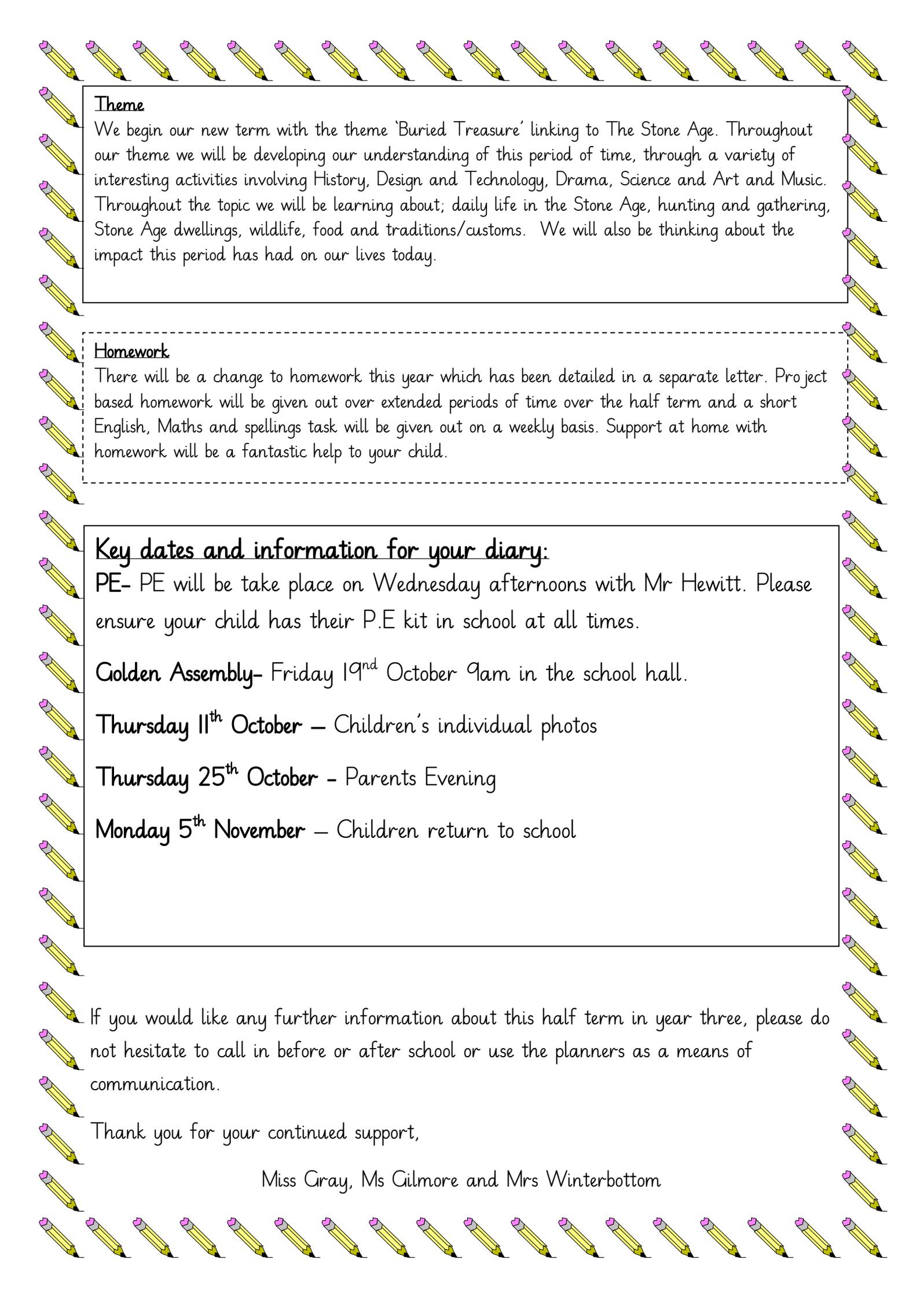
#### **English**

English this term will link closely with our theme –The Stone Age. This term we will focus on the story 'Boom!' by Alan Macdonald, and we will be writing our own creative version of the text. We will start by looking at the features of the story and enhancing the children's writing through text interrogation.

A key grammar focus will be on descriptive writing including using adjectives, adverbs and similes, and conjunctions to write more complex sentences.

Focus reading sessions will take place at least twice a week whereby children will read and interpret an extract from a text linked to the theme. Reading is incorporated in all aspects of learning which means there are many opportunities for children to improve their reading skills. Some children will read in small groups and everyone will read independently to an adult at least once per fortnight. Support with reading regularly at home is greatly appreciated.





### Theme

We begin our new term with the theme 'Buried Treasure' linking to The Stone Age. Throughout our theme we will be developing our understanding of this period of time, through a variety of interesting activities involving History, Design and Technology, Drama, Science and Art and Music. Throughout the topic we will be learning about; daily life in the Stone Age, hunting and gathering, Stone Age dwellings, wildlife, food and traditions/customs. We will also be thinking about the impact this period has had on our lives today.

### Homework

There will be a change to homework this year which has been detailed in a separate letter. Project based homework will be given out over extended periods of time over the half term and a short English, Maths and spellings task will be given out on a weekly basis. Support at home with homework will be a fantastic help to your child.

### Key dates and information for your diary:

PE- PE will take place on Wednesday afternoons with Mr Hewitt. Please ensure your child has their P.E kit in school at all times.

Golden Assembly- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 9am in the school hall.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Children's individual photos

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Children return to school

If you would like any further information about this half term in year three, please do not hesitate to call in before or after school or use the planners as a means of communication.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Gray, Ms Gilmore and Mrs Winterbottom