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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after a very much needed half term break! This half term promises to be a busy one with lots of Stone Age excitement and Christmas preparations.

In the second half of the Autumn Term both classes will be reading 'The First Drawing', by Mordicai Gerstein, in class, in addition to some other stone age related class books, such as 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura. Please continue to hear your child read as often as possible (3 - 5 times a week would be ideal) and don't forget to fill in the Reading Record Book, you can also write in when they have read other books from home, magazines or instruction booklets etc!

We will be finding out about The Stone Age to Iron Age as our main topic which will include a Science focus on rocks and soils. Estelle Baker from Carisbrooke Castle Museum and Trevor Price from Dinosaur Isle will be visiting to enhance the children's learning in these areas.

Both classes will need their PE kits on Wednesdays & Thursdays. We suggest that as the term gets colder they have a tracksuit in addition to their shorts, t-shirts and trainers; spare socks would be a good idea too. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in their PE kits ready for PE.

In addition to reading, all Y3 children will still have 2 pieces of homework which will be set each Friday to be handed in on the following Wednesday.

As in other year groups we will also set a family homework task linked to our topic, this half term the homework task is to research and make a model of a Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age house. If you need any support with materials or ideas please pop in or ask your child to speak to us.

Historically we have found that children struggle with telling the time and dealing with money so please make take as many opportunities to encourage your child in these areas of learning!

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Please make an appointment to speak with us if you have any questions or if you need to share any information about your child or home life which may have an impact on their learning.

You can contact your child's class teacher on the following email addresses:

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We look forward to working in close partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tilling & Miss Mawudoku,

Mrs Cade, Mrs Jacobs, Mrs Hiscock, Mrs Spragg, Miss Lovett, Miss Brown.