



### Emotional Well-being

Your child's emotional well-being is paramount given the current climate. To aid children to be in a positive 'head space' the year 3 team have worked hard to think of many ways to support your child. For September we have introduced:

- ✓ A safe space in the classroom to have discussions with adults/other students
- ✓ A "How I am Feeling Today" chart.
- ✓ A relaxed and friendly classroom environment so that the return to school combined with the move upstairs is not too daunting.

### Communication and Language (speaking and listening skills)

For the first few weeks of term, your child will be given many opportunities to reconnect and bond with their fellow class members.

We will have open and honest discussions about what they are excited about as well as what they are worried about in Year 3. There will also be a huge emphasis on how important it is to talk, whether that be to each other or to an adult.

### Physical Health

As a school, we pride ourselves on promoting physical activity as research has shown it helps to keep a child's mind active throughout the day. With this being said, we pledge to do at least 10 minutes of physical activity every day.

Additionally, children will learn about the importance of nutrition in staying fit and healthy.

### Writing

At the beginning of term, we will focus on year 2 writing objectives to ensure that your child is secure and comfortable within the previous year groups work before moving on to the year 3 requirements. We are doing this as we recognise as a school, that your child has missed a significant amount of education time.

Following on from this, we will then start to build on basic skills needed for Year 3 Writing and we will work towards:

- ✓ Write recipes for Stone age-Iron Age foods
- ✓ Write a description of a settlement from the Stone Ages-Iron Ages

### Safety and Security

School should be a safe place for your child, and we aim to provide a safe and welcoming space by being open and honest around 'tricky questions'. For the first term, Year 3 will focus on:

- ✓ How to stay safe inside and outside the classroom
- ✓ How we can stay safe online as home learning is becoming far more important
- ✓ How to keep others safe

## The Rock of Ages

### Creativity

We want your child to be able to express their thoughts through a variety of different mediums that they feel safe and comfortable in doing so. We aim to provide your child with many different creative activities throughout the year some of the creative activities are:

- ✓ Follow recipes to cook foods that would have been prepared during the Stone, Iron and Bronze ages.
- ✓ Create an emotions mask showing positive and negative emotions.
- ✓ Create cave paintings such as those that would have been created in the Stone Age.

### Reading

Similar to previous years, the children will focus on a class text (Bill's New Frock) within the dedicated reading lessons that occur once a day.

The children will also listen to their class teacher read for 10 minutes at the start of every school day or just after dinner time.

### Mathematics

- ✓ During the first term of your child's schooling in year 3, there will be a heavy focus on Place Value and Multiplication & Division
- ✓ Children will become experts in place value and will focus on making links between hundreds, tens and ones.
- ✓ They will also become secure in their knowledge of the 2,5 and 10 times tables.