

Jigsaw

Being me in my world
Celebrating Difference

Computing

Word Processing Skills
Programming with Scratch

PE

Fundamental Movements
Volley Ball

Experiences

Avebury Trip

Toy Stories

Sticks and Stones

English

Quest Stories (Little Bear)
- links with DT topic.

Instructions

Voyage and Return Stories
(Stone Age Boy) – links
with Stick and Stones
topic.

Recounts

Maths

Number: Place Value
Number: Addition and
Subtraction

Number: Multiplication
and Division

Measurement

Science

Forces and Magnets (links
with Toy Stories DT topic)

Light - investigating
shadows and reflections

History

Sticks and Stones:
The Stone Age and Bronze
Age, leading into the Iron
Age (after Christmas in
term 3).

Links with English: Voyage
and Return stories using
The Stone Age Boy book.

Art & DT

Toy Stories:
Investigating how toys are
made and learning
different techniques for
attaching different
materials

Children will design and
make own toy.

General

Our main channel of communication to you is the Partnership Book alongside the School Website - www.hanhamabbotsjunior.org.uk which contains all letters, details of events and a school calendar to keep you up to date. During the year we will add photos of your children's learning and some of the activities they take part in to the Year 3 page. Copies of this newsletter, trip information and school letters can be downloaded from the website.

Home Learning and How You Can Help...

Following the homework policy (which can be found on the website) - Maths and English homework is set weekly, on a Thursday, and is expected back on a Tuesday. Tasks are set to support the learning in school and will be explained to children fully. They are also expected to read and practise their times tables each week. We always encourage all children to complete homework tasks and we will be running a homework club at lunchtime for any children who are unable to complete homework at home. Here they will receive support if they need it to complete the tasks.

Mathletics: The children will shortly be receiving their Mathletics Log-in details so that they can access this online learning site. They will have opportunities to use this in school and tasks are set for homework every other week. The website can be accessed from a desktop, laptop or tablet computer. If access at home is a problem, please let us know and we will arrange for your children to do this work in school.

Parental responsibility:

Parents and carers continue to be responsible for the safety and welfare of pupils in their care:

- until the school bell has rung at the start of school (please note the bell rings at differing times depending upon the year group of the pupils)
- immediately after the school bell has rung or the pupils have been released following the bell ringing at the end of school. However, if the parent / carer is late collecting the child, the school will follow the usual procedures

If you have any concerns about this policy or require further information please discuss with one of the Headteachers.

English

To help your child at home with their English this term, you could do the following:

- Read with your child every night (minimum of 3 times a week).
- Read the Little Bear and Stone Age Boy stories with your child (from printed sheets) and help your child to learn the different parts of the stories. They could show you the actions that we have devised together to help them remember both what happens and the language features used.
- Support your child with homework and help them to remember when to do it as well as when to bring it back to school.
- Ensure your child uses neat joined handwriting to complete all homework.
- Ensure that homework is completed in pencil.
- Practise the Year 3/4 spellings from the list in the back of the partnership book.
- Help your child to practise the spellings that are given for spelling homework.

Maths

To help your child at home with their Maths this term, you could do the following:

- Practise quick recall of number bonds to 10, 20 and 100. E.g. $3 + ? = 20$, $45 + ? = 100$
- Practise quick recall of times tables facts. We will soon be starting our Tables Challenge with the children and once we do, they will know which times table they need to practise. It is important that they can answer questions out of order and as division problems e.g. $45 \div 5 = ?$
- Support your child with their maths homework and help them to remember when to do it as well as when to bring it back to school.
- Ensure your child uses neat joined handwriting and neatly written numbers to complete all homework.
- Ensure that homework is completed in pencil.
- Support your child with online Mathletics homework – set every other week.