#### Year 3 Topic Planner Spring A

Let's Rock—Stone Age to Iron Age

#### <u>Literacy</u>

The children will reading and writing their own nonchronological report related to the Stone Age, Bronze Age and the Iron Age. They will also be learning about organisational features of non-fiction texts including dictionaries and glossaries We will also be learning about persuasive texts and the impact of advertising.

We will also continue to have regular Big Writing and we will have a weekly spelling lesson.

### <u>Science</u>

Our science topic is rocks and soils. The children will be learning about the different rock types and how to classify them. They will also plan and carry out their own investigations to find out about the different characteristics of rocks.

<u>PE</u>

We will be working on Gymnastics skills this half term. The children will be using different levels and creating different stretching, curling and arching movements. The children will create individual and paired sequences which will also include balances.

The children will also be partaking in dance activities based around a winter theme.



# <u>History</u>

We will be learning about the changes in history from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. The children will be finding out about where early settlers in Britain lived and what their homes were like as well as finding out about daily life in each of these periods.

PSHE

This half term our work is about developing a 'Growth Mindset'. The children will explore how our mindset can impact on our learning. We will also discuss how to use peaceful problem solving when things aren't going as well as they could be and understand what situations are fair or unfair.

Music

The children will continue to work on developing their skills to play the cornet. They will learn some new notes and begin to play short tunes.

## <u>Maths</u>

The children will be learning strategies to help with mental maths and they will also continue to use the formal methods for addition and subtraction. They will continue to revise the facts in the 3 and 4 times tables and will also begin to learn the 8 times table. The children will also begin to use the grid method of multiplication to multiply a 2-digit number by a single digit number. In their work on fractions, the children will work on finding fractions of shapes and numbers and they will solve word problems involving all of the above.

# RE

The children will be exploring the ways in which different religions perceive God. They will learn about The Christian, Hindu, Islamic and Buddhist interpretations of God and then investigate their own ideas as well.

<u>Art</u>

The children will be investigating ancient rock art in Northumberland. The children will explore the different motifs used and create their own rock art panel. They will work on sandpaper using charcoal and oil pastels.

<u>ICT</u>

The children will be developing their wordprocessing skills by applying paragraphing, bullet points, numbering and the align tool in their work, writing as film reviewers.