

Otters Class Newsletter

Friday 6th November 2026

Our core concept this term is:

Risk and Responsibility

This week in our core concept learning we introduced The Stone Age, exploring how and why it was a risky time to be alive. We explored how long ago it happened and what life was like. We explored what food, homes, clothing and weapons were like and what a day would look like for a Stone Age person. We found out how it was very different to our lives today! I am really excited about this topic and the learning we have to look forward to, including our 'Stone Age Day'.

What have the Otters been up to this week?

-This week in Maths we have finished our unit of work on addition and subtraction. We used these skills to estimate answers and round numbers. Lastly, we solved problems using the most efficient method and explained our reasoning.

-In English, we have started our new book 'Ug- Boy Genius of The Stone Age'. We started my making predictions about what the story might be about from the opening illustration. We have also started reading the story and exploring how the author, Raymond Briggs uses anachronism to show humour.

Celebrations and what the Otters have to say…

For our **'Work on the Wall'** – this week we are celebrating **Jenson** and **Benja** for their Core Concept work. They beautifully explained the differences between the 3 parts of the Stone Age and showed super skills when looking at archaeological evidence. Great job, keep it up 😊

Our Headteacher's Award – this week it goes to **Rufus** for his attention and skill during our Rugby skills session with Canterbury Rugby Club. You were amazing!

Our Pupil Voice "There were no dinosaurs in the Stone Age because they were extinct." **Rupert when talking about the Stone Age.**

These children will be celebrated in Friday worship next week.

Important Information:

- Remember wellington boots and wet weather gear for Forest School every Wednesday – Welly Wednesday
- **Coats**- please make sure your Otter has a coat in school each day as the weather is proving changeable and chilly.
- Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th November- Parents Evening 3:30-6:00pm in Otters Classroom
- Friday 13th November- Children in Need (more details to follow).
- Thursday 19th November- Stone Age Day

Otters,

You were amazing during our class worship, all of us were so proud of how you delivered your lines and actions with confidence. This week I have also been impressed with your enthusiasm and thoughtful responses in our Stone Age learning.

Keep up the great work and have a restful weekend!

Mrs Smith





