



# Chestnut Class

## Enriching Learning

### Autumn Term 2024

#### 'Britain Begins'



## Maths

[www.mathletics.com/signin](http://www.mathletics.com/signin)

### **Mathletics offers:**

- \*Live Mathletics - Practise mental Maths skills by competing against members of your class or children from around the world.
- \*Activities - Pick an area of Maths that you would like to improve in. Choosing the topic that the class is currently studying would be a great idea. Can you turn the topic bar gold?
- \*Skill Quests - Can you apply your knowledge to a wider range of questions?
- \*Meritopia - These special set of games can only be accessed when you have earned enough points! Can you open the door to Meritopia?

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

### **Times Tables Rock Stars offers:**

- \*Single player games - Use these to increase your speed, accuracy and confidence.
- \*Multiplayer games - Take on your friends, people around the world or even your teachers!
- \*Tournaments - Look out for various battles against other classes throughout the term!

Another useful website for Maths:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>

## Reading

This term, we would like you to try to read for 10 minutes every day. You can read by yourself or with an adult. Ask them to record your reading in your reading diary so that, when you reach a milestone, you can be entered into the Reading Raffle. Diaries will be checked every **Monday**.



A Spelling/Phonics pattern will be given to you every **Thursday**. Words connected to this pattern will then be tested on the following **Thursday**.

## Geography and History Focus

The following links will help you to develop your understanding of our topic this term:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z82hsbk> (Prehistoric videos, quizzes and activities)

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Stone-Age/353814> (Information on the Stone Age)

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Bronze-Age/352883> (Information on the Bronze Age)

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Iron-Age/353302> (Information on the Iron Age)

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/celts.htm> (Information on the Celts)

Each week, choose one of the activities below to explore. Try to choose a range of activities (some from each box) during the term. **Make sure that your completed homework is put into our homework drawer by Monday every week.** You can hand it in early if you'd like to!

### Maths Activities

- Can you think of a way to remind others about odd and even numbers? Is there a rule that people should know? You could create a poster, rhyme or a number line.
- Choose some three-digit numbers. What is 1 more, 1 less, 10 more, 10 less, 100 more and 100 less than these numbers?
- Count in 100s to 1000. Can you count back to 0? Now, try counting in 50s. Choose 3 three-digit numbers. Can you estimate where they go on a number line from 0-1000?
- If  $8 + 2$  is 10, then I know that  $80+20=100$ . Write down your number bonds to 10. Use what you have written down to write some new facts.
- Write down and solve some addition and subtraction number sentences. Can you remember which symbols are used to represent addition and subtraction? Have a go at using different methods and explore what helps you.

### English Activities:

- Write down your own recipe for a prehistoric dinner, using the sorts of ingredients that would have been available to the people at the time.
- Write down 5 questions that you would like to ask a Stone Age person. Think carefully about the punctuation that you need to use to write a question.
- Create a comic strip to show a typical day in the life of Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age person. Think about what they have done, e.g. hunting, using weapons/tools.
- Write an adventurous letter to your teacher explaining why you can't come into school today. Can your ridiculous reason be linked to our Britain Begins topic? Example: I can't come in today because I'm being chased by a woolly mammoth and I need to make a weapon out of stone to defeat it!

### Geography & History Activities:

- Design, draw and/or make a model of a Stone Age shelter or an ancient stone circle. Could you use any natural materials in your model? e.g. stones, twigs, leaves.
- Create a piece of cave art. Could it represent something that Stone Age people did in their daily lives, e.g. hunting? Could you paint with natural materials, such as the juices of berries or with mud?
- Research a famous prehistoric settlement, e.g. Skara Brae. Could you film yourself 'reporting live' from there? What facts is it important for others to know?
- Imagine that you are an archaeologist. Place small objects in sand, soil or rice and ask someone to find them using a brush. Ask someone to hide objects for you too. What do the objects tell you about the person?
- Draw your own perfect settlement. Will you be near a river, the sea, hills, mountains...?

### Other Curriculum Areas:

- Go on a rock hunt. What kinds of rock can you find in your local area?
- Create your own fossil. You could use plasticine, Modroc or clay.
- Create a poster that tells people how they can stay safe online.
- Choose a device in your home that you think might have a digital device in it, e.g. a games console or a washing machine. Draw or write what you think the inputs and outputs are for the device that you have chosen.
- Our Music unit in the Autumn term is focused on R&B. Ask your parents to help you to explore R&B artists and/or songs. How are they similar?
- This term, we will be celebrating Harvest Festival. What are you grateful for?

The above is a suggested list of ideas. If you would like to carry out your own project, we would be excited to see it.