

In preparation for our visits to Heatree next week, the children have enjoyed immersing themselves in our Stone Age topic; finding out how man has evolved over millions of years and learning about important events in the Stone Age. In Literacy, we have been reading the book 'Stone Age Boy' to inspire us to write descriptive sentences and we have begun to plan our own time-travel adventures! We also made 'paint' using berries, grass and mud in the forest School area and using them to create Stone Age art.

We enjoyed our first Spanish lesson of the year with a specialist teacher from Pilton Community College. We have learnt basic greetings.

### **Spellings/times tables and homework**

The children will bring home their spellings to learn for next Friday's test. They also have a reading comprehension task sheet.

Please encourage the children to log on to the maths website to help support their times tables [www.mathstest.org](http://www.mathstest.org).

It has been lovely to see some of the children completing their homework from the homework task sheet. If you need another copy you can find this on our [website](http://ovschool.co.uk/parent%20information/Years%203%20and%204) [ovschool.co.uk/parent information/Years 3 and 4](http://ovschool.co.uk/parent information/Years 3 and 4).

### **Roundhouse experience - Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> September**

Thank you for your speedy response in returning your permission slips and payments for this wonderful trip. We will be sending full details home next week.

### **Wanted**

If you have any old, unwanted adult shirts at home we would be very grateful for donations to use as painting aprons.

### **Christmas card designs**

Don't forget, if you would like to place an order of your child's Christmas card design these must be handed in to Mrs Manley by Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> September with payment (only cash or Parentpay accepted). We anticipate orders being received by the beginning of December.

Have a great weekend.

**Diary Dates (don't forget to check the school website, [www.ovschool.co.uk](http://www.ovschool.co.uk) for up to date information)**

Thur, 11<sup>th</sup> October - Friends of Orchard Vale - School Disco (more details to come)

Thur, 18<sup>th</sup> October - School photos (more details to come)

Fri, 19<sup>th</sup> October - Non Pupil Day

Mon, 22<sup>nd</sup> to Fri, 26<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term

Miss Gulliford   Mrs Johnson   Mrs Benn   Mr Whapham