

# Class 2 Learning Log Homework

This half term Class 2 will be learning all about The Stone Age to the Iron Age. Please find below homework for each week until the end of this half term. Children are encouraged to present their homework in a variety of ways, not always in their homework books. If you have any questions, feel free to come see me!

## Week 1 - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September

### Our own little piece of history

In order for us to begin learning about The Stone Age, we need to think about going way back in time. Have you ever wondered where you came from? Ever wondered who your ancestors were? Well now is your chance! Choose a family line to research, discover more about yourself and share with us your cultural heritage! Can you draw your family tree? Who knows what you will discover. Are you a secret descendant of some long lost King of England? Or maybe your ancestors were pirates or explorers! How exciting! I can't wait to see where you all came from!

## Week 2 - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September

### Palaeolithic Feast

OK, for this we will have go back in time a long, long way...way back before supermarkets, shops, bakeries, bags of crisps and sweets. In fact, we have to back to a time before there were any houses, fridges, saucepans or even pots! In the old stone age (also called the Palaeolithic), if you wanted something to eat, you would've had to find it, or catch it for yourself!

So what did they eat? The people during this period of time were hunter gatherers. They hunted animals with spears then ate them, and used their skins and bones to make clothes and tools. They also would have caught and eaten fish, shellfish, insects (like grasshoppers and grubs) and reptiles like lizards or tortoises.

They gathered wild fruits and berries, and nuts would have been a good source of energy. Vegetables as we know them today did not exist - when did you last come across a wild carrot? But they would have foraged for edible plants, and there is evidence that they ate things like ferns and cattails (a marshland reed) which has lots of energy in its roots.

#### **Have a Palaeolithic feast!**

Collect a selection of things that cave men would have eaten. Some ideas are:

- Some roast or barbecued meat (or you could cook some on the fire)
- Shellfish or baked fish
- Fruit - apples, pears, berries (even better if you go out and pick them from the hedgerows!)
- Nuts - you could have some hazelnuts, walnuts or anything else you can find.
- Salad leaves

See if you can make a bonfire somewhere to sit around and share the food. You will have to eat with your fingers. You could maybe wrap some fruit or fish in tinfoil and cook it in the embers of the fire. Wrap up warm in some animal furs (or blankets if you don't have any), look up at the stars, and stay close to the fire so the cave lions don't get you!

Take some photos as I can't wait to see your Palaeolithic feast!