

Yew Tree Primary Academy – History

Theme: Set In Stone

Year Group : 3

Phase: Key Stage 2

Strand: Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age ; Locational Knowledge; Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

What should I already know?

- Chronological means time order
- That people have not always lived in towns and cities as most of us now do.
- That maps show us where things are and how they are laid out.
- Our way of life has developed over thousands of years

What Historical Knowledge should I know by the end of this theme?

Palaeolithic Period

- People were nomadic hunters and they found food by roaming from place to place in different seasons.

Neolithic Period

- People began to settle into farming villages instead of moving from place to place.
- People started to look after animals and grow their own crops.

Mesolithic Period

- Sea levels rose and Britain became an island (before this time Britain was joined to the mainland of Europe).
- Tools were developed to become smaller and finer.
- The invention of canoes meant that people were better able to hunt for fish as well as animals.

Bronze Age

- People discovered how to get metals out of rocks
- Bronze replaced stone as the best material for making tools. • People were able to build better farming equipment and they also began to make bronze weapons.

Iron Age

- Iron replaced bronze as the main material for making tools and weapons.
- People lived in tribes and they were often at war with each other.
- Iron Age people began to protect themselves by settling in hillforts. Sometimes people from the Iron Age are called 'Celts'.



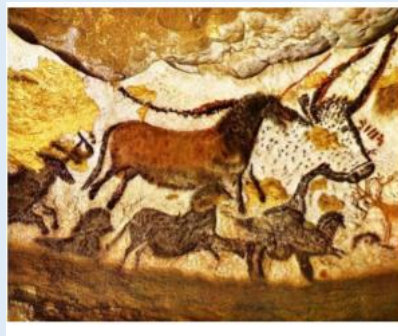
Stone Henge - a prehistoric monument in Wiltshire, England. It consists of a ring of standing stones, with each standing stone around 4 metres high. Its purpose and how it was built remains uncertain.



Skara Brae - a stone-built Neolithic settlement, located in the Orkney region in Scotland. It is a cluster of eight houses, which was occupied between 3000 and 2500 BC.



Maiden Castle - one of the largest and most complex Iron Age hillforts in Europe. It is located in Dorset, England. It was built around 100 BC and once protected hundreds of residents.



Cave paintings - Early humans may have used art as a way of helping themselves in their struggle for survival. Paintings of animals on cave walls are common. The famous cave paintings at Lascaux in southwest France are about 18,000 years old.

Vocabulary

AD	AD is used to show dates after the birth of Jesus
agriculture	The process of cultivating land to grow crops and rearing animals
ancient	Belonging to the distant past, before the life of the Roman Empire (AD410)
archaeologist	Someone who studies the past by discovering old remains
artefact	An object from the past that shows evidence of what life was like
BC	BC is a way of dating years before the birth of Jesus. The bigger the number BC, the longer ago in history it was.
chronology	The order of events in time
civilisation	A human society with its own organisation and culture
evolution	A gradual process of change over time
fertile	Rich in nutrients to support the growth of many plants
hillfort	A fort built on a hill with outer walls or ditches for defensive purposes (for example Maiden Castle)
hunter-gatherer	A member of a nomadic group who hunt or harvest food that grows in the wild
Nomadic people	A group of people that move from place to place in search of food and shelter
roundhouse	A circular house with a conical thatched roof built from the Bronze Age to Iron Age
settler/settlement	People who migrate to another place. When people start a community this is a settlement
smelting	A process to separate metal from rocks by heating and melting
trade	The activity of buying, selling or exchanging goods or services.
tribe	A group of families or communities that share a common culture and language, usually with one leader

Literacy Tree Links:



Key dates

800,000 BC	Earliest footprints in Britain date back to this time.
40,000-8000 BC	People started creating cave paintings
25,000 BC	Ice Age in Northern Europe and Britain
12,000 BC	Modern humans start living in Britain
8,500 BC	Climate gets warmer in Britain
6,000 BC	Britain becomes an island
4,000 BC	Farming introduced in Britain
3,000 BC	Stone Henge started to be built
3,000 BC	Skara Brae first inhabited
2,300 BC	Bronze working introduced
1,200 BC	First hillforts built
800 BC	Ironworking introduced
120 BC	First coins introduced from Europe.
43 AD	Romans invade Britain— start of Roman Britain

What skills will I have learnt by the end of this theme?

- Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers)
- Use the eight points of a compass, symbols and keys
- Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied
- Divide the past into different periods of time and represent this on a timeline.
- Recognise similarities and differences between different periods and use key dates.
- Show knowledge and understanding of some of the main events, people and changes studied.
- Beginning to give a few reasons for, and results of, the main events and changes.

