

# All Saints Academy Primary School

Theme: Stone Age to the Iron Age  
(Britain)

Year: 3

Subject: History

## What should I already know?

- Life existed before your grandparents were born.
- Millions of years ago, dinosaurs lived.
- What climate means and an example of it.

## Working scientifically skills

- Describe what life was like during the three stages of the Stone Age - use a Venn diagram
- Use word mats to understand the meaning behind the words, Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic.
- Ask questions and find out the answers about the Stone Age.
- Explain how Britain changed during the Stone Age using a timeline to help.
- Study Stone Age artefacts/tools and explain what their uses were.
- Place events on a timeline using dates

## Vocabulary

**flint** a piece of stone used in fire-starting and as a tool

**hearths** the floor of a fireplace, or the stone or brick area in front of it

**Mesolithic** Middle Stone Age

**migration** movement from one place to another in order to settle there

**Neanderthal** an early species of human being, now extinct

**Neolithic** New Stone Age

**nomad** a person or a group of people with no fixed home who travelled around to find shelter.

**Palaeolithic** Old or 'ancient' Stone Age.

**Settlement** When people start a community, this is a settlement

## Timeline

65 million years ago:  
Dinosaurs existed



c. 800,000 BC - 10,500 BC:  
Palaeolithic Stone Age

Old or 'Ancient' Stone Age: Neanderthals and modern humans used ancient tools and simple ways of living to survive the Ice Age.



c. 4,000 BC - 2,500 BC  
Neolithic Stone Age

New Stone Age: from the start of farming including land clearance and the keeping of animals. This lasted till the first use of metal.



c. 10,500 BC - 4,000 BC  
Mesolithic Stone Age

Middle Stone Age: from the end of the Ice Age, as the climate got warmer, to the start of farming. Humans would demonstrate a variety of ways to gather food including hunting and fishing.