



## **NORTON JUXTA KEMPSEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

8<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents,

This half-term we have been enjoying learning about the Stone Age and the three different periods that it is divided into, the Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic periods.

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October, we have arranged for a 'Stone Age Themed' day comprising of four different workshops that all children will take part in:

- A Virtual Reality Session, where children will explore sites of ancient Britain, including Stonehenge, Grimes Graves, Long Barrows, Woolly Mammoths Iron Age Roundhouses and more.
- A look at the changes in clothing through prehistory, including a chance to try carding, spinning and weaving and a look at some real furs, and animal skins and the tools to process them.
- An artefact handling session, where children will have the opportunity to have create a sense of chronology through looking at stratigraphy and evaluating the artefacts.
- A look at the skills and tasks of daily life in prehistoric times. Children will create their own cordage bracelet, and watch or take part in a demonstration of tasks such as using a saddle and rotary quern, making butter, using bow drills and more.

During these times, Widget Workshop is following Public Health England's guidance to ensure the safety of the pupils they work with. The Artefacts that they bring into school have been quarantined for 48 hours. The cleaning of the equipment is completed throughout the day and they use a combined detergent disinfectant solution at a dilution of 1,000ppm available chlorine (Chlor-Clean) to clean the products between workshops and some sessions. They also bring with them detergent/disinfectant wipes (Clinell Universal Wipes) to clean between use in sessions. Along with our own hand sanitisers.

For extra piece of mind, they sourced their cleaning materials by following advice given by South East London NHS Primary Care Covid-19 Assessment Sites Decontamination of Equipment and Environment to ensure they are following best practise when working in a school environment!

In order for the Widget Workshop to visit there is a charge of £6.70 per pupil and we would welcome a voluntary contribution to cover this cost. For those families with year 4 children, you will know how enthused the children were following the Maya day that they took part in last year. The workshops are truly amazing and bring the learning to life in the classroom making it an extremely memorable day.

I am sure you will agree that this will be an exciting day and a chance to enhance their knowledge.

Kind regards

KS2 Team

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**KS2 – Stone Age Workshop**

Name of Child : ..... Class: Ash / Oak

I enclose my voluntary contribution of £\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of the visit (please make cheques payable to **Norton Juxta Kempsey School Fund** Account).

Name ..... Tel No .....

Signed ..... Parent/Guardian

**(Please return to School no later than Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October )**