



Creative Home Learning Ideas

From Stones to Swords



Below are some creative home learning ideas based around our topic. Please read through the ideas and select which activities you would like to complete at home. Children are expected to complete and bring into school at least 2 activities by the end of the half-term. We would love to display your amazing home learning, so please make sure you bring it in, so that it can be celebrated with your class and then displayed in the Year 3 corridor to inspire others in school.

- Create your own cave drawings by finding stones and replicating Stone Age drawings on them.
- Make a model of stone/bronze age house or village
- Experiment with dying cotton using juice from different fruits and vegetables.
- Create your own Stone Age houses using twigs, sticks, and moss.
- Build your own Stonehenge using classroom materials like cardboard.
- Recreate some prehistoric cooking by stewing some fruit.
- Recreate your own Stone Age jewellery using clay and shells.
- Visit the stone age features on Ilkley Moor – cup and ring stones, Stone circles and take photos of you with them. <http://www.stonecircles.org.uk/stone/rombaldsmoor.htm>
- Carry out a survey of rocks and stones on a walk. Keep a record of what types of stones you see. Remember to just take pictures not take the stones.
- Investigate some famous fossils? Find out some amazing facts about them.
- Can you investigate what the soil is like in your park or garden?
- Build a “campfire” with LED candles or sticks, turn off the lights, and tell stories like early humans might have. You can even make up legends about how the sun, moon, or animals came to be.
- Use string and pegs (or tape and paper on the wall) to create a stone age timeline, show the three main periods — Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic. Add pictures or drawings of tools, houses, and food sources for each era.
- Shape “tools” out of modelling clay or carve soap to mimic flint axes and arrowheads. Discuss how difficult real tool-making would have been.
- Try making simple recipes using only ingredients available then — porridge with berries, roasted root vegetables, or flatbreads cooked on a frying pan (“hot stones”).
- Record a short “news report” or mockumentary about discovering a new Stone Age site.

This is not an exhaustive list and we would love to see any extra ideas related to our topic, From Stones To Swords.

Don't worry if your creative home learning doesn't fit inside your home learning book, the more creative and exciting, the better.