Dear Parents,

In IPC we are continuing with our topic of 'Scavengers and Settlers'. We will focus on finding out about prehistoric settlements, prehistoric farming and the first human species. We will then move on to some Christmas based activities as we approach the end of term.

In Literacy we will be using the following texts to inspire our writing which will continue to link to our Stone Age topic. These will be 'Stonehenge' by Mick Manning and Brita Granstrom. We will then move on to reading 'The First Drawing' by Mordicai Gerstein.

In maths we are working on multiplication and division. The children will Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100, recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables and write and calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division using the multiplication tables they know. We will continue to have a weekly times table test in which the children have 3 minutes to complete the sums. There are lots of resources to help and the children can log in to busy things (http://busythings.lgfl.org.uk) using their Fronter login details, which we will be sticking into the children's reading record books.

This half term we will be focusing on experiments involving chemical reactions using simple methods. The children will be carrying out the experiments and writing up their findings.

Please remember that children should be reading a little every day and recording this in their reading record which will be checked daily. We are expecting the children to comment on the language they are reading and thinking about its impact.

Please ensure all your child’s belongings are named clearly and please take the time to teach your child to look after their belongings and to search for them independently.

Many thanks for your support,

The Year 3 Team