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Dear Parents / Carers

Year 3 will be learning all about The Stone Age for our Humanities topic this term.

We have organised a Stone Age workshop with *Theatre Exchange* which will take place in school on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November**.

Children can dress up on this day as a Stone Age person! If your child would like to bring a weapon, as part of their costume, please make sure it is made out of foam or cardboard. Please see the reverse of this letter for costume ideas.

It will be necessary for us to request a voluntary contribution for this activity. The suggested contribution is **£4.60**. If your child is entitled to free school meals, this cost is reduced to **£2.30**. If we do not receive enough contributions or funding from elsewhere to cover the cost of the workshop, it may be necessary to cancel it. You will be informed if this happens.

Please make your payment via Scopay using the code 3 STONE AGE.

With kind regards



Year 3 Team

## Stone Age Day Costume Ideas

As you know, **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November** is Year 3's Stone Age Day where we will be having Stone Age workshops run by *Theatre Exchange* as well as many other exciting activities. We would like children to dress up as a Stone Age person to add to the enjoyment and engagement of the day.

Here are some Stone Age Day costume top tips and ideas:









## <u>Top Tips</u>

- Weaving and textiles were only just being invented in some places, but you might have some clothes made from linen or wool. Unless you happen to have leather leggings and tunics in the house, you could use plain natural coloured leggings/trousers and a long sleeved T-shirt as a base.
- Clothes were generally made from furs and skins, so you could use anything made from leather, sheepskin or fur fabric. A fake-fur gilet and hat is great if you have them. For footwear, Ugg-style boots are ideal.
- A cloak might be worn, made of fur, leather or even woven reeds or grasses.
- Jewellery and accessories would be made from wood, stone and animal products. You could use a string of natural coloured beads for a necklace. Stone Age people would also have used bone, antler, leather, horn, seashells and feathers to decorate their clothes.
- Dyeing fabrics had not yet been invented so stick to natural colours, eg beige, brown or cream if you can.
- Ötzi the Ice Man had lots of tattoos! While we do not suggest tattooing your child, you could use eyeliner pencil to draw some 'tattoos' if desired. Some cultures would also probably have used face paints made of earth, chalk and charcoal to paint their faces with patterns like dots and stripes.
- Remember this is the STONE age! No obviously metal items should be used.



