

Lydgate Junior School

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Dear parents/carers of Y3 children,

Stone Age Events

We have arranged for two exciting events to take place in the Spring term to enhance the children's learning in history and geography.

First, an archaeologist (http://www.enrichmentthrougharchaeology.com) will visit school to run a 'Stone Age to Iron Age Archaeology Day'. The children will take part in a number of practical sessions through the day, including a mini excavation, looking at artefacts, grinding wheat, weaving, and making their own clay pot.

The workshops will take place on:

Thursday 18th January 3JD & 3H/S Friday 19th January 3BN & 3R/L

The second event is a **trip to Poole's Cavern in Buxton**. During the visit, we will have a guided tour of the amazing limestone caverns (see www.poolescavern.co.uk for a virtual tour) and take a woodland walk to do some outdoor learning and look at the views across Buxton and the Peak District.

The visits will take place on:

Thursday 7th March 3H/S & 3R/L Friday 8th March 3JD & 3BN

This visit is a whole day out of school. We will send further details of timings and what to wear nearer the time.

We will need parent volunteers to help supervise the children for the Poole's Cavern visit. If you are able to help, please email school to let us know (remember to state the name and class of your child so that we can ensure that you are placed with the right class). Please be aware that there are limited spaces on the coach, so we will contact you nearer the time to confirm that you have a seat.

In order to cover the cost of these events, we need to ask for a contribution of £17.45 per child. This includes:

£6.75 for the Stone Age workshop day

£6.50 for the cave tour at Poole's Cavern

£4.20 for the coach to Poole's Cavern

As the visit to Buxton is an outdoor learning opportunity, we will be **part-funding the coach from our Sport Premium Funding** in order to reduce the overall cost to parents. As with all activities of this kind, we can only ask for a voluntary contribution, but should insufficient funds be received, the events may have to be cancelled.

We currently use Parentpay.com (the secure online service) to enable parents/carers to make contributions towards all trips and visits. Please contact the school office if you have difficulty with this method of payment.

Please could any payments be made by Friday 16th February.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

The Y3 team







