

# **Whiston Willis Primary Academy**



# Penguin Classs Newsletter

Dear parents 22.09.23

Welcome back to another exciting year. It has been lovely getting to know the children over the last few weeks and I am so excited to begin our new academic year together. We have been working super hard and we have all settled back into school life very well.

### **English**

Our first unit of English is based on the text The First Drawing by Mordicai Gerstein, which follows the story of a cave boy who uses his imagination and creativity to create the very first drawing upon the walls of his cave. The children have loved exploring the themes within this book, as well as learning about a range of writing and language features and techniques which they will apply when writing their own story next week.

#### **Maths**

Our current maths topic focuses on number and place value. The children have been learning how to identify and represent numbers up to 1000 as well as how to count in ones, tens and hundreds. Our next topic is addition and subtraction. The children will learn how to apply a range of concrete, pictorial and abstract methods to add and subtract.

## **History**

Our first history topic is Prehistoric Britain. The children will be learning about how humans have evolved over time as well as the different eras of the Stone Age, as well as using primary and secondary sources to find out about life during these

#### PE

Our PE days this half term are on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Our current topics are multi skills and boot camp. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit which includes a white t-shirt, dark coloured, plain shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers. Children can wear their school jumper as the weather becomes colder.

#### Music

We are very lucky to have a music specialist, Mrs Walton, who will be delivering instrument tuition to all of our Y3 children. This year, our Y3 children will be learning how to play the ukulele.

Please remember to follow our class Twitter page where you will find updates and posts which celebrate the wonderful work which our children produce @MrsWilliamsPen1.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Williams.