



Enriching the lives of our children

Academy of Stars LKS2

Newsletter Autumn 2 2025

I can't quite believe we're already one sixth of the way through the year! We hope you had a relaxing half term break and are raring to go for another fun-filled half term! If ever you have any questions, please come and speak to a member of the Academy of Stars!

Miss Hobson

If you ever have any queries, please speak to your class teacher: Miss Hobson.

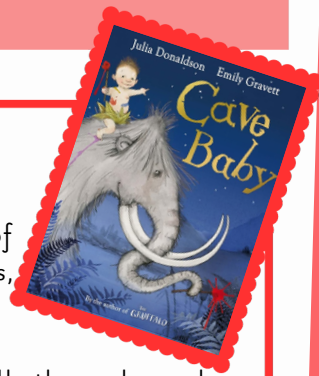
PE:

Tuesday
Gymnastics

Our Love of Reading text: 'Cave Baby' by Julia Donaldson

This Autumn 2 term, children will explore the story of Cave Baby, learning to understand characters, events, and settings through visuals, sensory activities, and guided support.

They will develop early writing and fine motor skills through mark-making, tracing, and forming letters with support, as well as practice writing simple sentences and short paragraphs using descriptive language and sequencing ideas. Children will engage with stories through gestures, makaton and visuals. Phonics, spelling, and word recognition will be reinforced through multisensory activities and words from the texts and everyday vocabulary.



What was it like to live in the Stone Age?

We might not be able to travel back in time to the Stone Age, but we can do the next best thing! This term, the children will step into the world of early humans to discover what life was like thousands of years ago. Through sensory and role-play experiences, they will explore how Stone Age people found food, built shelters, and made tools to survive.

In the classroom, children will take part in hands-on activities to help them imagine what life was like in the past. They will build simple "shelters" from sticks and fabric, create their own cave art using natural materials, and explore objects such as stones, feathers, and leaves to think about how they could have been used long ago.

Christmas songs & craft

Wednesday 10th December
2:15pm

A useful website to
access at home



The Makaton charity



Makaton

In our classroom, we use Makaton to support communication. Each week, we introduce one new Makaton word, listening to the word, reading a story that includes it, and practicing the sign together. We then use Makaton when exploring our key words in stories. Makaton sheets will continue to be sent home so parents can see the signs we are learning, helping to support communication at home.