

Summer Project



Summer Project Ideas

Your first topic in September will be on the **Stone Age**, **Bronze Age** and **Iron Age** periods of history. These fascinating time periods saw human evolution develop from basic human life forms into complex beings who scavenged, hunted and settled, developing their own ways of life. People from these time periods left behind many artefacts and other archaeological evidence.

To get excited for our new learning, we suggest that you give yourself a mini history project over the summer holidays. This could be as simple as researching some of the answers to some of the questions on the next few pages or you could be more creative...

Stone Age Activities

Questions:

1. Why was the Stone Age called the Stone Age?
2. What do these words mean: 'prehistoric', 'evolution', 'complex', 'archaeologist', 'artefacts', 'scavenged', 'settled', 'hunted' and 'ancestor'. Use a dictionary or <https://kids.britannica.com/kids/browse/dictionary>
3. What is the name given to the earliest humans?

Activities:

1. Create a scavenger hunt for others in your household. Draw some pictures of fruits, vegetables and animals and hide them. Everyone else has to find them!
2. Create a Stone Age cave painting using paint, pencils or even mud! See here for more information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZjejoTlqFOc>

Bronze Age Activities

Questions:

1. Why was the Bronze Age called the Bronze Age?
2. What do these words mean: 'smelting', 'trading' and 'cultivate' . Use a dictionary or <https://kids.britannica.com/kids/browse/dictionary>
3. What did people use bronze for? https://kids.kiddle.co/Bronze_Age

Activities:

1. The Amesbury Archer was buried with his belongings (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z82hsbk/articles/z874kqt>). Create and bury a time capsule of items that you would like someone to find in the future.
2. Collect 1ps and 2ps with different dates on them. Some are made from bronze. Are they all magnetic?

Iron Age Activities

Questions:

1. Why was the Iron Age called the Iron Age?
2. Find these Iron Age settlements on a map:
<https://www.heritagedaily.com/2020/03/10-british-iron-age-hill-forts/118900>
3. What was an Iron Age hill fort?
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z82hsbk/articles/z8bkwmn>

Activities:

1. Create an Iron Age hill fort - you could use cardboard and other resources at home or sticks if you're outside (or even create one on apps such as Minecraft).
2. Create Iron Age jewellery - create designs & templates and wrap them in iron (tin foil) - <https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/iron-age/iron-age-accessories/>

Recording your research

You can use the rest of this Google Slides document to record your research and share any photos or videos you would like.

On our return to school in September, we can share your wonderful projects with the rest of your class.

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