

Scott Primary School—History Knowledge Organiser

Topic: Stone Age

Year 3—Autumn 1



5. Stone Age - Mesolithic Life and Neolithic Life

13,000BC



People make cave paintings.

4,500-3,500BC



Farming starts and begins to spread.

Key Vocabulary

Settlement	A place where a group of people live together in many buildings
Palaeolithic	Oldest known pre historical period when humans were nomadic gatherers.
Mesolithic	Middle era of stone age where humans made settlements
Neolithic	Period where humans discovered agriculture
Monument	Something built to remember an important person or event
Prehistory	The period of time before people could write
Hunter-gatherer	Groups of people who get food by hunting, fishing and foraging rather than farming
Nomad	People who travel from place to place

Previous Knowledge

Children will know about pre-history from studying Dinosaurs in KS1

BC—means before Christ

AD—means Anno Domini, used when referring to a year after Jesus Christ is thought to have been born



Important Facts

*Know that the earliest footprints date back to 800,000 BC

*Know that modern humans started living in Britain in 12,000 BC

Know that farming started in Britain in 4,000 BC

*Know that Stonehenge was started in 3,000 BC

*Know that Skara Brae was first inhabited

*Be able to explain the Palaeolithic, Neolithic and Mesolithic eras.

Palaeolithic: humans were hunter gatherers who led a nomadic existence, moving with the seasons. Tools (hand axe)

*Mesolithic: humans began to build settlements, keep animals and build materials. Beakers and pots.

*Neolithic: agriculture began, crops were grown and permanent structures of community were built (Stonehenge).

*I know that Stone Age people moved around each season to keep safe and warm and to follow the animals that they hunted



Timeline

800,000 BC
Earliest footprints date back to this time

40,000 BC
Earliest Cave paintings date back to this time

12,000 BC
Modern humans start living in Britain

3000BC
Skara Brae built

2,300 C
Bronze work introduced

4000BC
Farming introduced in Britain

3000BC
Construction starts on Stonehenge