Dear Parents and Carers,

Team Kusama had a brilliant start to the year last half term and have all settled in well. Our first topic was 'What happened from the Stone Age to the Iron Age?' The children loved creating their own Stone Age axes and building Stonehenge out of biscuits! They have written brilliant leaflets all about Stonehenge and amazing cave setting descriptions, after we took a trip into some caves with the VR kits.



Boelling Shed



Our next topic is 'How does electricity and magnetism work?' Team Kusama will be learning about devices that use battery or mains electricity and building their own circuits. We will be conducting many science investigations around electricity and magnets. Also, we will be learning about lightning and creating wonderful lightning poems and art work!

By the end of Year 4, children should know all of the times tables up to 12 x 12. We will be helping the children to learn these in our maths lessons this half term. Please can you encourage them to access **Times Tables Rockstars** at home to further support their progress. Spellings will continue to be given out weekly, please can children use the paper copies and **Spelling Shed** to practice at home ready for their spelling tests. Reading regularly is extremely important and we are excited to launch our new **Reading Gems** reward system. Please remind your children to read at home regularly and log it on **GoRead** so they can help their team to win prizes!



The children are looking really smart in their uniforms. We have many spare jumpers left in our classroom with no names on, please remember to put your child's name in each item of uniform. **P.E** will continue to be on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays**. We will be starting **swimming** in a few weeks, a letter with all the information about swimming will be given out later this half term.

Thank you for your support and please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions. Mrs Calladine and Mrs Bailey