

DMAT Website Article from Mellis CE Primary March 2020

Going back to the Stone Age!

As part of 'getting back to normal', the Year 3 and 4s had the opportunity to take part in an immersive 'Stone Age' history day!

The theme was the 'Big Hunt'; activities were planned around preparing for a mammoth hunt, and experiencing the life of our far-off ancestors! In the course of the day, the children:

- Made spears
- Built shelters in our woods
- Learned foraging skills, including woodcraft such as making dyes from plants
- Made Stone Age style necklaces
- Learned how to make 'wattle and daub'
- Produced Stone Age music on 'djembe drums
- Practiced spear throwing
- Made their own cave art using chalks, pastels and their own hands!

The focus of the day was however the 'big hunt'! Using giant sized mammoths, our intrepid hunters chased the unfortunate mammoths into the waiting ditch (mirroring a technique Stone Age hunters used) before delivering the coup de grace! We then roasted our 'mammoth meat' (aka sausages from the local butcher!) over open fires in our woodland near to our shelters we had made earlier!

An absolutely grand day with some fantastic feedback from both children and parents.

















