

## Year 2 - History

Together we flourish and grow.



### The Stone Age

I need to know:

- Britain was not always an island. Hundreds of thousands of years ago it was connected to mainland Europe.
- Early humans lived in caves.
- Thousands of years ago, humans had not learned to grow their own food, and so had to hunt and gather what they needed using simple tools.
- The first tools used were made from stone, this is why the period is called the stone age.
- Pre-history is what we call the period of time before humans began to write things down.
- Skara Brae is a pre-historic group of houses in the Orkney Islands in Scotland.
- Stonehenge is a mysterious pre-historic site in England with historians still unsure of its original purpose or use. Some ideas include; a burial site or a place of worship.
- Stonehenge is constructed by different sized stones in a circular pattern, and follows other prehistoric sites of stone circles across Britain.

### Key Vocabulary

land-bridge	a connection between two landmasses	pre-history	period of time before written records of events
ancestors	a person related you that lived a long time ago	Skara Brae	a Neolithic village in NE Scotland, in the Orkney Islands
nomadic	moving from place to place	mounds	large, circular piles of earth
hunter- gatherers	people who live by hunting, fishing and harvesting wild food	Stonehenge	a monument made up of a circle of large, heavy stones
mammoths	a large type of hairy elephant, now extinct	Midsummer's Day	the longest day of the year, middle of summer
		Midwinter's Night	the shortest day of the year, middle of winter