



Year 3 – Cresswell Craggs

March 2024

In March, Year 3 children embarked on an immersive journey into the Stone Age to Iron Age during a school trip to the Cresswell Craggs museum. The excursion featured a series of engaging activities designed to deepen their understanding of prehistoric life.

First, students participated in a survival skills workshop where they applied teamwork, resilience, and creativity to construct traditional Stone Age shelters using natural materials. This hands-on experience allowed them to appreciate the ingenuity and resourcefulness of early humans.

Next, students morphed into amateur paleontologists as they unearthed fossils of prehistoric animals. Through the assembly of skeletal remains, they identified various creatures such as arctic tigers and wolves.

The highlight of the trip was a captivating visit to a prehistoric cave, where students were transported back in time through interactive storytelling. They marveled at authentic artifacts and tools used by ancient hunter-gatherers, fostering a deeper connection to the past.

As a follow up activity back at school, students compared tools and weapons from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. The trip not only enriched their historical knowledge but also fostered enthusiasm and engagement, as noted by staff members impressed by the students' connections to prior learning.

Mustafa from 3R said: "I had a really good time at Cresswell Craggs. My favourite bit was going in the cave because it was really echoing!"

Arlo from 3R said: "I really liked our trip, we had to throw spears!"

Sehej from 3D said: "I liked how we got to go in a real cave and we got to pass around real tools that were made out real materials like flint. I had a fun day with my friends"

