KEY SUBJECT VOCABULARY

SCIENCE	
circuit	A complete path that allows electric current to flow from a power source, through components, and back to the source.
device	An electrical object or piece of equipment that uses electricity to perform a specific function.
components	The individual parts that make up a circuit.
conductor	A material that allows electric current to flow through it easily.
insulator	A material that does not allow electric current to flow easily.

HISTORY	
settlement	A place where people build homes and live together.
roundhouse	A circular home built from wood, stone, and thatch in prehistoric Britain.
archaeologist	A person who studies the past by finding and investigating old objects and buildings.
prehistoric	A time before people wrote down history.

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census	An official count of people living in a place, often done by the government.
pilgrimage	A special journey to a holy place, like Christians traveling to Bethlehem to see where Jesus was born.
shepherd	A person who looks after sheep; in the Christmas story, they show that God loves everyone.
symbol	Something that stands for a bigger idea, like the shepherds showing God's love for all people.

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IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE

SCIENCE: Simple Electrical Circuits

- Some appliances use batteries, and some are powered by electricity.
- The components in a simple circuit are wires, electrical sources, and a device such as a bulb or buzzer.
- A complete electrical circuit is made when all components are connected together correctly.
- Switches can break a circuit by making a space between components so that the electricity cannot flow.
- A conductor is a material that allows electricity to pass through easily, and an insulator stops electricity from passing through it easily.

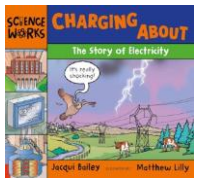
HISTORY: Stone Age to Iron Age

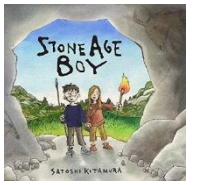
- The Stone Age is estimated to have begun around 2.5 million years ago and the earliest evidence of humans showed that they used stone tools (5000 BC).
- Early Stone Age people moved around with the seasons – they were known as Nomads.
- The Bronze Age followed the Stone Age, when people still moved from settlement to settlement with the seasons.
- Later in the Bronze Age, people developed tools, so farming began, and permanent settlements were built.
- The Iron Age followed the Bronze Age when they settled in round houses.

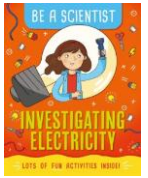
RE: Christmas Journeys

- When Mary was pregnant with Jesus, her and Joseph had to travel to Bethlehem from Nazareth for the census which is about 75 miles.
- Now lots of Christians from all around the world make a pilgrimage to Bethlehem to see where Jesus was born.
- The shepherds, who travelled to see the baby Jesus, are a symbol that God loves everyone in the world, not just the rich or powerful.
- The Three Kings, who also journeyed to see baby Jesus, are portrayed in different ways through music and art.
- King Herod ordered all boys two and under to be killed as he was jealous that Jesus was being worshipped like a king.

RECOMMENDED BOOKS









THEME DAYS, VISITS, EXPERIENCES:

Homework hand in – by Friday 11th December

Theme Days/Weeks

Armistice Day – Wednesday 11th November

BBC Children in Need – Friday 13th November

Anti-Bullying week – w/c 16.11.26

Odd Socks Day – Monday 16th November

Art week – w/c 30.11.26