



Dinosaur Planet

Year 1 Spring 2



English

The children will be exploring a range of different instructions to:

- write instructions.
- use *and*, *so*, *but*, *because* to join sentences.
- use imperative verbs.
- use time connectives.
- read back their writing to edit and improve.
- Read a range of fiction and non-fiction texts on dinosaurs.
- Role playing to create dinosaur stories.

History-

As historians the children will:

- learn the story of the famous, English palaeontologist Mary Anning.
- talk about the events that happened over time
- Learn about the changes that happened over this prehistoric period and learn what led to the dinosaurs becoming extinct.

Maths

They will

- investigate the value of numbers up to 100.
- counting forwards and backwards from any number up to 100.
- use and apply addition and subtraction methods to solve problems.
- tell the time. On the hour and half hour.
- learn the days of the week, months of the year and the order that they come in.
- solve problems involving sharing and grouping.
- measure and compare length and height using centimetres



Art.

Children will:

- use pastels to recreate work of other artists.
- make their own fossils moulds using clay and plaster of paris.
- use observational skills to sketch fossils.



Science-

Through this topic the children will:

- compare the features of different dinosaurs and look at other animals that are alive today with similar features.
- learn how and why dinosaurs are different.
- discover the diet of herbivores, omnivores and carnivores.
- know the names of their teeth, what they use them for and the importance of looking after them.
- find out how fossils are formed and make their own fossil.
- become archaeologists; digging for dinosaurs in our role play area.

Religious Education:

Children will:

- understand why Christians celebrate Easter.
- learn the Easter story.
- understand the importance of relationships and what makes a good friend.

Home Learning ideas

Topic:

- Choose a dinosaur you would like to research. Go to the local library or use the internet to find out: How tall it is, what it eats, how it moves and any other interesting facts. Bring in to show on Wednesday's sharing assembly.
- Make a mini dinosaur movie. Draw dinosaur puppets or use your dinosaur toys to make a short story. You can record this and put onto a USB stick or a CD and your teacher will play it in the sharing circles.
- Visit your local reptile shop or zoo and have a closer look at reptiles today. Take photos and find out some facts about it ready to share with the class.
- Find out any dinosaur jokes. Share them with your friends and family.
- There are many dinosaur activities on Purple Mash. Please follow the link on the school website and use your log-in details to access these resources.

Maths

- Practise counting forwards and backwards from any number up to 100.
- Play board and card games that involve counting.
- Ask addition and subtraction question with numbers up to 20.
- Start helping your child to read the time using an analogue clocks. Teach them to tell the time to o'clock and half past the hour.

Spelling

As a school we have decided not to test spellings. However, a list of spelling rules and words your child should be able to spell by the end of year will be sent home soon. Practise these words, a few at a time, putting them into sentences and revisit them regularly will improve their writing confidence.

Physical Education:

Children will:

- further develop balance and shapes in gymnastics.
- combine shapes, jumps and balances to create a routine.
- learn throwing and catching skills.
- develop these skill into a team game.
- work together in a team to score points and improve agility.
- to move safely around a space.

Our PE days this half term are:

Monday- Outside.

Wednesday – Inside.

Your child will need warm outside kit on Monday. This includes jogging bottoms and trainers or plimsolls. A PE kit is a part of the school uniform and your child must have it in school every week.