

Reception Newsletter

Spring term 1 2018: Dinosaurs.



Communication, Language and Literacy

This term we will be reading and responding to fictional texts about dinosaurs and looking at the structure of a story. Alongside this we will also look at non-fiction books about dinosaurs, the children will begin to understand that information can be gathered from books.

The children will continue to develop their communication skills and extend their vocabulary during various speaking and listening activities. In phonics we will continue learn our set 2 sounds. The children will also continue to practise and develop their letter formation of lower case letters using capitals for names and the start of sentences.



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Mathematics

The children will continue to develop their ability to recite, read, write and order numbers to 20. We will also begin to estimate quantities before counting to find the actual amount. The children will begin to use their understanding of 1 more and 1 less and link this to addition and subtraction.

We will revisit 2D shapes and introduce 3D shapes, naming, sorting and describing common 'flat' and 'fat' shapes. We will also begin to talk about weight and capacity using mathematical vocabulary such as heavy/heavier, light/lighter, full, half full and empty.



Other Areas of Learning

Understanding the World: As our topic is dinosaurs we will be looking at where, when and how they lived. We will also be talking about fossils and the children will make their own fossil using clay.

Expressive Arts and Design: The children will be learning to use a variety of media to create artwork such as printing, painting and collages.

Physical Education: This half term the children will be introduced to Tots on Tyres this will be delivered by the Lancashire sports coaches. They will also continue to develop their fine and gross motor skills during their play.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development: The children will continue to learn to manage their feelings during their play.

Religious Education: In RE this half term, we will be focusing on stories that Jesus heard when he was younger. We will be reading stories from the Old Testament and discussing these.

Worship: Our value this half term is courage. We will be discussing the meaning of courage and how we can demonstrate this value.



General Reminders

Physical Education

Physical Education will be on a Monday and Thursday afternoon this half term. Please ensure that earrings have been removed before arriving at school as I am not able to take them out for your child and plasters are not permitted.

Snack

Your child can bring a healthy snack each day, please avoid sending in crisps, chocolate and nuts. If you are sending money for toast, please ensure that this is in a labelled purse or money bag.

Children can also bring in a labelled water bottle.

Stay and Play

Stay and play sessions will commence Monday 15th January 3.20-4pm. Your child will bring you an invitation when it is your turn.

Jewellery

Please note that children should not wear or bring jewellery into school.

Many thanks

Mrs Hoare