

Land Before Time.

PE days – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 1 2017

Unlocking the learning

Unlocking the learning at home - It is really important that children have the opportunity to use what they learn in school at home. Watch a documentary about dinosaurs to find out more about them.

Get reading – Visit the library to find dinosaur books and dinosaur stories.

Get exploring – why not visit the museum that has a dinosaur exhibit.

Get creating – Make a habitat for a dinosaur. What materials can you use? Make your habitat out of recyclable materials.



Which is your favourite dinosaur?

Do you know what a palaeontologist does?

Topic: We will be covering...

In Year 1 the children will be focusing on the topic 'Land Before Time'. Stomp, crash, RRRAGH! Watch out everyone – the dinosaurs are on the prowl! They're rampaging across the dusty earth, swishing their enormous tails and baring their fearsome teeth.... Children will explore the dinosaur planet! Imagine what life was like millions of years ago. They will discover dazzling dinosaur facts and learn about what life was like in dinosaur times!

Please ensure:

Your child has their PE kit in school – it is important for children to take part in PE for 2 hours every week. If they do not have their PE kit then your child will receive a letter home asking you to provide them with suitable clothing.

Your child reads at home daily – please keep up with the reading at home as it will help develop imagination and information for writing, underpin phonics and help with spelling. Reading regularly at home, especially books related to the class topic, supports your child in their learning for all subjects.

English: We will be covering...

We will be using our phonic knowledge to help read and spell new words as well as applying them in our writing.

This half term for English we shall be using a range of fiction and non-fiction texts to support our writing. We shall be writing stories, poems and recounts. Our visit to All Things Wild will be our stimulus for writing where we shall be recounting the events of the day including what we saw, how we felt and our favourite exhibit.

We will continue to work on writing skills for example: capital letters, full-stops, using interesting vocabulary (adjectives) and extending our sentences using a range of conjunctions (and, so, but, because).

This topic lends itself well to lots of story writing. The children will get to create a lot of narrative work and they will do this through different methods i.e. animation, filming and drawing. The children will then write stories to with the visual story.

Maths: We will be covering...

This half term in maths we will be using our previous knowledge of numbers to use in multiplication, division, addition and subtraction problems.

We will be looking at telling the time, using appropriate language for what time it is, working on time problems and working out time intervals. We will also be using our knowledge of measuring to learn more about capacity. We will also be looking at and describing 2D and 3D shapes.

We will also be developing and securing our work on counting beyond 100, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number. We will also be continuing our work on counting in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s.

During this topic we will be looking at dinosaurs from a scientist's perspective. We shall look at dinosaur bones and fossils and find out how long ago dinosaurs roamed the earth.