



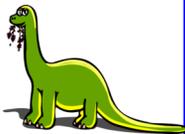
This term the children will be learning...



Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

We were very proud of the performances your children gave in our nativity play at the end of the autumn term and would like to thank you all for your support.

We are looking forward to an action packed spring term building on their phonic skills as we investigate out new topics.



Topic

Spring 1: Dinosaurs

This term we are going back in time to learn all about dinosaurs. We will be looking at fact and fiction, making models and habitats for dinosaurs and comparing them.

Spring 2: Space

Next half term we will be looking out of our own world to find out all about our solar system. We might even see some Aliens!

Maths

We will continue to practise our counting and number recognition skills to 20 and beyond. We will also look at measuring, comparing lengths, weights and capacities.

English

The children continue to work through their phonics phases and will be applying this in their writing. We will be building sentences. We will use both fiction and non-fiction books through our topics.

How you can help your child:

- Continue to read every day at home and talk about the story together.
- Recognise and write the letters of the alphabet.
- Handwriting and fine motor skills, such as using scissors.
- Look at measuring at home and the different ways we measure .
- Accurate counting.
- Number recognition to 20 and beyond.
- The value of numbers.

Understanding the World

We will be using magnifying glasses and binoculars to look more closely at things, using our investigation skills. We will look at changes in the seasons as we move from winter into spring.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will have lots of opportunities to express themselves through art and we will make models of dinosaurs. We will try mixing our own colours to paint dinosaurs and we will make a dinosaur collage.

Continuous Provision:

Reception class continue to learn through play and we have created a dinosaur world in the construction area and an investigation desk in our role play area. The children have already created a jungle in the sand tray where the dinosaurs can live—we're hoping some move in! All areas include opportunities for the children to apply their literacy and mathematical skills through our exciting topic.



PE Kit (boys and girls): White or gold t-shirt, royal blue shorts.

Girls may also bring: Royal blue leotard or royal blue shorts and a white or gold t-shirt.

Please bring your child's PE kit on a Monday and leave it all week to be taken home on a Friday.