

During this half term we will be learning about Dinosaurs! We will be learning about what dinosaurs were, where they lived and what they ate. We will also be exploring fossils, palaeontology and the Stone Age.

We will also be reading lots of dinosaur books

Including:

How to grow a dinosaur - Caryl Hart and Ed Eaves
Tyrannosaurus Drip - Julia Donaldson & David Roberts
Tinysaurus - Sheryl Webster and Jan Fearnley
Dinosaur Dreams – Allan Ahlberg and Andre Amstutz
Cave Baby - Julia Donaldson

Helping at home

Thank you for your continued help with reading at home. Please ensure you write in your child's red diary whenever you read their school book or practise their words then your child can be celebrated as a star reader at school. Here are some other ways you could help your child with their learning...

- Practise counting whenever you can in real-life contexts (toys, cutlery, stones, cars etc.).
- Practise ordering the numbers to 20 and other maths activities (sent home in bookbags).
- Look out for numbers when you are out and say what they are.
- Use the internet to look at pictures and read information about dinosaurs and the Stone Age.
- Go to the library and read fiction and non-fiction books about dinosaurs.
- Find out facts about dinosaurs - make sure you share these with your class!

Dinosaurs!

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Forest school

This half term we will continue to have Forest School on a **Tuesday afternoon**.

Please remember to send your child in with a change of clothes and a pair of wellington boots. Please ensure all clothes are labelled and in a named bag.



P.E.

In PE this half term we will have indoor PE and be learning gymnastics. We will be practising how to move in different ways, including making the 5 different basic shapes and working on balancing and climbing. For indoor P.E., children require black shorts and white PE t-shirt.

Grasshopper and Caterpillar P.E. day is a **Monday**. Ladybird and Bumblebee P.E. day is a **Wednesday**. Please remember - no earrings on P.E. day and long hair needs to be tied back. Please ensure all clothes, socks and shoes are labelled so that we can reunite them with their owner.

Maths homework

We have been setting a Maths homework activity each Tuesday based on what we have been learning in school. This is set via Seesaw. We check this each week.

Your child's log in should be in the front of their reading diary. If you are having any problems accessing the homework at home, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Topic Day – Dinosaurs.



We will be having our Dinosaur Day on



Wednesday 11th February 2026

For this, children are invited to come into school wearing a dinosaur costume or clothes related to dinosaurs, palaeontology or the stone age.
More details to follow.

This half term in our foundation subject sessions we will be exploring a variety of new vocabulary. Please find below the key vocabulary and definitions we will be working on.

Science –

In Science this half term, we will be learning how to describe the effects of winter and begin to develop skills to be inquisitive and motivated to explore our environment.

Key vocabulary -

Winter - a part of the year where the days are shorter and it is colder

Observation - looking carefully at something and commenting on this.



History –

In History this half term we will be learning about the past and what the past means in terms of our families. Similar to last half term, we will also be thinking about how our families in the past and how they have changed. We will be sending a message out to ask adults to upload a baby picture of them as children to Seesaw for these lessons. More information to follow about this.

Key vocabulary -

Past - something that has already happened.

Geography –

In Geography this half term we will be learning about where dinosaurs may have lived and why they would have lived in hot, cold, grassy locations. We will use our map reading skills to follow a simple map round school to spot dinosaurs too!

Key vocabulary –

Dinosaur - a large, extinct reptile.

Location - where a place is in the world.

Map - something we can use to travel and get to other places.



R.E –

In R.E (Religious Education) this half term we will be exploring the idea that Christians listen to stories that Jesus told. We will be helping WALT learn about some of the stories Jesus told by listening to them together and exploring their meaning.

Key vocabulary -

Books - stories that are shared.

Festival - a celebration shared with others to mark an event.



Music-

In Music this half term we will be exploring pitch; high and low sounds. We will use a range of instruments such as the chime bars, xylophones or glockenspiel to help us understand how to make a high and low sound. We will also explore pitch by singing and using our voices too. We will also learn how to listen and respond to a piece of music.

Key vocabulary-

Pitch - how high or low a sound is.

Listening - using our ears to hear a sound.



Computing –

In Computing this half term, we will be learning about how to use technology to create a dinosaur themed picture. We will use the iPads to draw using different tools and will share what we have created with our class. We will learn about e-safety too and how we can stay safe online.

Key vocabulary -

Draw - create a picture of something using tools.

Tool - something you use to create or change a picture.

