

# Shelten Intern Scheel



## Sharing our Learning Newsletter Nursery - Spring 1 2023

#### Topic work

We will start the new term learning all about the season Winter. This will include listening to winter stories, winter art work and playing winter themed games.

We will all be taking part in a literacy based project called 'A Dinosaur Adventure' which will incorporate a wide range of cross curricular activities including opportunities for music, art work, ICT, drama, maths, science, DT and imaginative play. This project will culminate in our rooms being transformed into prehistoric galleries for the day to showcase our work! We will also be having some special days as detailed below:

Wednesday 8th February—Gallery Day

Dinosaurs, egg
claws, spikes
long, short,
neck, tail,
large, small,
big, little,
Swamp, camp, explore



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#### Literacy:

The children will enjoy a story session each day linked to the topic. These story sessions will often include the use of a wide range of puppets and story sacks to help stimulate interest and enthusiasm. All children will have the opportunity to select their own library book each week from a selection specifically purchased for this age group. They will continue to take home the nursery rhyme of the week. There will also be lots of opportunities to 'play write' especially in the dinosaur camp. A wide range of drawing and writing materials are always available on the drawing trolley. The children will be reminded to 'nip, flip and grip' their pen to ensure they have the correct grip. Children will be encouraged to recognise and begin to write their own names using a capital letter at the beginning only.





The children will sing a wide range of number songs and rhymes and count throughout the day in nursery. They will be looking at numerals and practicing careful counting through games and activities. They will be encouraged to use language of 'more' and 'less' 'fewer than' when comparing 2 sets.

They will be encouraged to use positional language in their play eg, put the dinosaur underneath, next to, in front. They will practise weighing dinosaurs using scales and talking about which one is heaviest/lightest. The children will continue to name colours and sort objects.

### You can help your child by

- Talking with them as much as you can about anything and everything.
- Sharing books together
- Counting objects around the home.
- Looking at and naming shapes and colours around the home and when you are out and about.
- Practising putting on own coats and fastening buttons and zips at home to make your child more independent.
- Encouraging your child to be as independent as possible when using the toilet and washing hands.
- Read your child's library book regularly to them and help your child learn their nursery rhyme each week.

### Story Chest Books



















