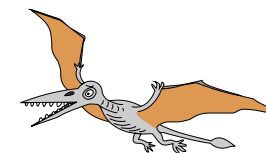


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Topic work

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. The nursery and reception classes will be working with Tan our creative artist on a dinosaur theme. We will also be having some special days as detailed below:

Thursday 9th February—Gallery Day (more details about this will be sent later on Dojo)

Vocabulary

Dinosaur	Dinosaur names	Parts of a Dinosaur	
Herbivore	Carnivore	Omnivore	Camouflage
	Predator	Prey	

SPECIAL EVENTS:

- W/C 23.1.23—Artist coming to work with children to create dinosaur art.
- 1.2.23—Photographer in school.
- 7.2.23 @ 9:05 Parental observations of phonics in Reception.
- 7.2.23 5:00 - 6:00 Class 2 bedtime reading.
- 9.2.23 Gallery Day. Come and see all of the dinosaur work Reception have created.
- 9.2.23 5:00 - 6:00 Class 1 and 3 bedtime reading.
- 100TH DAY AT SCHOOL. Children to wear decorated T shirts.
- 13.2.23 Shelton Rocks Week
- 16.2.23 Valentines Disco - more information to follow.
- 17.2.23 Come to school dressed as a pop star.

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Literacy:

We will be playing lots of games to encourage speaking and listening skills. All children will continue to learn the phonemes following the Little Wandle scheme. We will be blending and segmenting the sounds to read and spell words. Reading books will continue to be sent home. There will also be lots of opportunities to 'play write' especially in the home corners. A wide range of drawing and writing materials are always available on the drawing trolley. We will be talking about and practising correct letter formation in books, salt and sand and continuing with our Funky Finger activities. All children will be encouraged to write their own name with correct letter formation. We will be encouraging the children to begin to represent sounds correctly in their writing. All children will take part in shared reading sessions.



Maths:

In maths this half term we will be exploring everything about the numbers 0 to 8, we will be counting, writing them, comparing amounts, thinking about 1 more and 1 less and looking at the composition of these numbers e.g. 5 can be made with 2 and 3 or 4 and 1. We will also learn about mass and capacity. The children will have the opportunity to explore capacity by using different sized containers in the water and sand. They will explore mass by weighing different objects on balancing scales to compare heaviest and lightest. We will be spending some time looking at numbers pairs to see which numbers we can put together to make other numbers. We will also have lots of different things out in our maths areas for the children to choose and use for maths challenges.

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 and talking about one more or one less than a number.
- Practising putting on own coats, jumpers and cardigans 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.
- Help your child to read their reading books as often as possible throughout the week.

Story Chest Books

