

Dinosaurs

Term 4

Understanding the World

- Differences between dinosaurs – what did they eat, how big were they, why did they die, what evidence do we have that they existed?
- Find out about the life and work of Mary Anning
- Signs of Spring and Easter
- Learning about the Easter story and why this festival is important to Christians.

Maths

- Number skills – number bonds, place value, addition and subtraction – number facts and applying
- SSM – measurement – using different units and resources.

Communication and PSED

- Asking questions and using different question words.
- Opportunities for the children to lead the teaching, sharing their knowledge with the class

Using our reflective skills

Asking questions about our Dinosaur Project. Using non fiction to build our knowledge.

Using our imagination on the art table and taking about the effects we have created

Literacy

- Building on stamina and independence in writing.
 - Writing own dinosaur stories
 - Sequencing and retelling story
 - Phonics – becoming experts with Phase 3 digraphs and tricky words. Practising fluency in reading and writing.
- Learning about different genre of Writing such as letter, lists riddles and fact files.

Confidence to work with other children across the class and from different year groups.

Expressive arts

- Drawing skills – using observational skills to look closely at shape and pattern and represent objects and patterns. Reflecting on these and improving our drawings.
- Modelling – developing joining skills and creating models that match designs.
- Looking at Andy Goldsworthy art – creating our own spirals pictures

Managing distractions and building on our concentration spans, especially in the afternoon.

Physical

Jigsaw theme – Healthy me, talking about how can we be healthy, fit and how we look after ourselves.

Write Dance – the Volcano. Using our whole bodies to dance and draw.

Key Words

Dinosaur, palaeontologist, herbivore, carnivore, omnivore, spirals, fossils, ammonites, scales, extinct, skeleton.

The children will also learn high quality words in Drawing Club, such as eruption, inflating, treacherous.

