



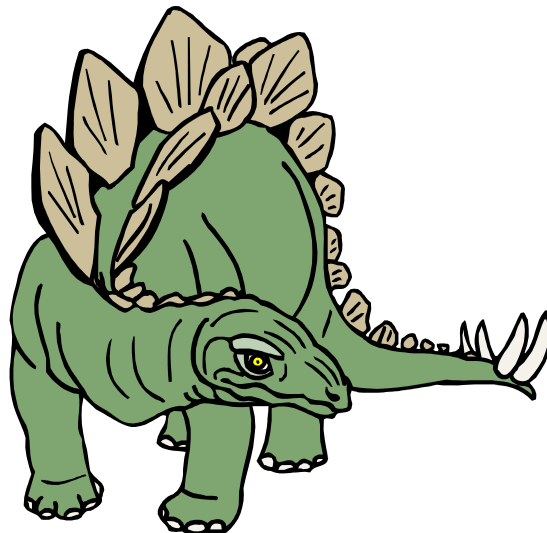
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Getting down with the dinosaurs!



Foundation Stage Spring Term 2012

Over the next few weeks, your child will be working on the topic of Dinosaurs!

They will be taking part in a series of exciting activities, including:

- **Creating a dinosaur land**
- **Sieving for bones**
- **Measuring dinosaur footprints**
- **Labelling a dinosaur**
- **Sorting dinosaurs into meat eaters and plant eaters**
- **Going on a dinosaur hunt in the school grounds!**
- **Finding out about the dinosaurs using 'dino' app on the ipads**

**Your child needs your help and involvement!
Please get involved by:**

- ☐ **Taking your child to the library & get a book about dinosaurs**
- ☐ **Ask friends/relatives if they have any fossils you can look at**
- ☐ **Type 'dinosaur' into google images and look at pictures of dinosaurs together**
- ☐ **Help your child to name and identify some dinosaurs**
- ☐ **Look at the following free apps:**

**Dinos
Dino world**

- ☐ **Look at the following websites:**

www.bbc.co.uk/sn/prehistoric_life/games/skeleton_jigsaw/skeletal_jigsaws/index.shtml

www.enchantedlearning.com/dinoalphabet/

What does your child know about dinosaurs?

Before the Topic...

After the Topic...

Sit down with your child and help them record what they know about the topics, BEFORE and then AFTER they have learnt about it at school.

What else is happening?

SEAL Time

Each term, we focus on a particular aspect of Social & Emotional Aspects of Learning (S.E.A.L).

This term, we will be looking at the theme of 'Getting on and falling out'.

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We shall continue to find out about other religions and cultures through celebrations and festivals. This half-term we shall be celebrating 'Chinese New Year.' This is on February 10th. We shall be finding out about it during the week beginning the 11th.

How to support your child's learning

Please support your child by making sure that they take part in a reading activity daily. Why not choose from one of the following activities each day: sharing a book before bed, playing i-spy, playing a game from the games library, reading their school book.

After Christmas we will be giving out reading scheme books, to those children that are secure in their phonic sounds and are beginning to blend. Please ensure that your child has a bookbag in school every day.

Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every Morning 8-8.50am
Nursery Lunch Club	Every Lunchtime 11.30-12.30
Games Library	Friday 8.50am 9.10am

Forthcoming Events

Monday 7 th January	INSET DAY
Wednesday 9 th January: 9-10am	Parent Forum
WB 11.12.12	Chinese New Year
Monday 18 th to Friday 22 nd Feb	Half Term
Wednesday 6 th March	World Maths Day
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
w/c 18 th March	National Science & Engineering Week
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term : 2.15pm finish