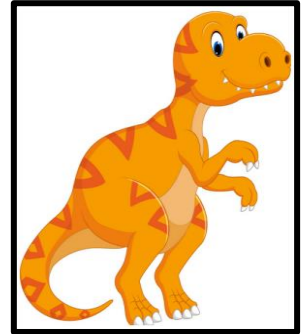




Year 1 Curriculum Report for Parents: Summer B 2019 Walking with Dinosaurs



Our final year 1 topic is Walking with Dinosaurs. As part of the topic we will be learning about Mary Anning, a famous fossil hunter. We will also become Palaeontologists to celebrate Dinosaur Day on Tuesday 18 June!

Personal, social and health education: This half term we explore change and looking forward. We are thinking about how we have changed, what we have achieved and also what we would like to develop further as we move into Year Two.

Literacy: In literacy we will be creating our own class dinosaur fact files based on the book 'Dinosaurs from Head to Tail'. The children will create their own dinosaur and write a fact file to tell other people all about him or her. They will be learning how to organise and present their writing using some of the features of these specific non-fiction texts. We will also be writing dinosaur poems.

Parents can continue to help by encouraging their child to complete the reading challenge every week with 5 reads at home. Regular practice of spellings and sharing stories with your child will all make a significant difference to your child's progress.

Mathematics: We have begun with a major focus on recognising and ordering coins as well as making totals in different ways. We will start to look at 3D shapes and which 2D shapes form their faces. We will continue to look at the practical use of measurement including length, weight and capacity.

Computing: In computing, the children will be looking at e-books using the school's iPads and eventually creating their own e-books using a range of different design programmes.

Art: We will be looking at sketching and drawing this half term, learning to draw using 2D shapes that can be transformed into dinosaurs!

Science: In science, the children will be conducting a range of experiments based on the scientific learning that they have participated in this year.

Religious Education: Our focus is on special stories. By thinking about stories the children know and enjoy they will develop an appreciation that some stories and books are special for both Christians and Muslims. They will consider in one session how they would feel if a "story-stealer" removed all the books that were special to them and will write some persuasive texts to ensure their safe return.

Physical Education: This includes practising our ball skills and continue to develop our core stability. We are, also, of course, developing our individual and team-playing skills in preparation for Sports Day.

Music: In music, the children will be learning to play two instruments, the recorder and the ukulele. We look forward to showcasing our achievements with you during the afternoon of Tuesday 16 July. Our concert will also feature the newly formed ocarina group (made up of children who attend ocarina club – it's not too late to join!).

Home learning challenge: Can you create your own model dinosaur or dinosaur scene? It can be 2D or 3D, using any materials you can find at home.

