

Year 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This term our topic is based around the question, 'Where did it all begin?' children will be learning all about dinosaurs. Through English, children will be watching clips from the film 'A Journey to Dinosaur Island' and investigate ways of how they can capture a dinosaur to enable them to write a set of instructions. They will then move onto reading 'The Secret Dinosaur—Giants Awake'. Children will then write their own mystery stories based on the novel which they will share with the author of the book. In Maths, children will focus on fractions, time and presentation of data with calculations being a starter for arithmetic for continuous practice. Through science, children will be examining 'plants' by at looking the difference between the Jurassic plants and plants today. Also we will explore germination, reproduction of a plant, what makes them grow and the differences between bulbs and seeds. Our history and geography will be based around investigating dinosaurs, where they lived, periods of time in which they existed, how a fossil is formed.

Thank you

This term our value is: Resilience.

Resilience is never giving up even when things get tough, trying even if you're not sure you'll succeed and having the courage to come back from a failure.

Key Dates for Year 2

25.2.19—Dino-crazy experience

7.3.19—World Book Day

7th to the 12th—book fair in school

4th—11th—book share week

12.3.2019—Parent SATS meeting 8.30am and 4pm

25.3.19—Art project

26.3.19 and 27.3.19—Parents Evening

2.4.19—Strings Road Show

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Monday to be returned each Friday. Children will have a range of activities from spellings, phonics, maths, reading, and grammar activities. Please can you also read with your child at least 3 times a week and record it in their reading logs.

Thank you.

PE Provision

All pupils will require PE kits in school during the week. Each class will have 2 sessions of PE. This term Premier Sports will be teaching Gymnastics and class teachers will be teaching cricket where children will develop the skills of bowling, batting and tactics.

English

Children will learn how to use:

- Sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command.
- Consider what they are going to write before beginning by planning what they are going to write.
- Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by evaluating, re-reading and editing their written work.

Science

Children will be taught to:

- Observe and describe how seeds and bubs grow into mature plants.
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

Computing

Children will be taught to:

- Research and present information.
- Explain how to communicate over the internet.

History and Geography

Children will be taught to:

- Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features.
- Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify countries and continents.
- Events beyond living memory that are significant globally.
- The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national achievements.

Where did it all begin?

Maths

Children will be taught to:

- Recognise and find quarters and halves of numbers and objects.
- Tell the time using quarter past/ to, 5 minute intervals and compare and order times.
- Interpret and construct pictograms.

Music

Children will be taught to:

- Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds.

Art/ DT

Children will be taught:

- To use drawing to develop and share ideas and imagination.
- To develop a wide range of techniques in using texture, pattern, line and shape.
- Design purposeful and functional products based on design criteria.

PE

Children will be taught to:

- Children will learn skills and tactics of cricket.
- Paralympic sports with Mr Hicks.