

Dinosaurs! Topic Overview Foundation

Classroom Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Dinosaur museum/explorers role play ✓ Dinosaur park outside 	Educational Visits	Possible circus skills (linking with Yr2 topic, practising coordination, cooperation and perseverance!)
Wow Factor Launch	<p>(Continuation of last term - refresh home corners)</p> <p>Decorate the class for Christmas with the children (Week 5)</p>	Key Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Harry and his bucketful of dinosaurs ✓ Stomp Chomp Big Roars, Here come the Dinosaurs ✓ Dinosaur Roar ✓ Non fiction books about Dinosaurs.
Outcomes /Open Day Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Dinosaur museum ✓ Creative work - clay fossils and pictures of dinosaurs. ✓ Fact sheets 	Home links - activities parents can do to support...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Reading together daily. ✓ Talk about events in the past ✓ Counting, recognising and numbers - play snap and talk about which number is more/less.
Communication and Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Listening to stories. ✓ Sharing and sequencing ideas. ✓ Talking about their interests. ✓ Sharing their own experiences 	Personal Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Talk to others about own interests. ✓ Take turns and negotiate with their peers. ✓ Work as part of a group - cooperation.
Physical development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Using equipment safely. (e.g. scissors, art resources) ✓ Cutting skills ✓ PE activities - working towards gymnastic certificate. ✓ Name writing - pencil control, letter formation 	Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Reciting and recognising numbers to 10, then 20. ✓ Counting sets of objects accurately, above 10. ✓ Adding two groups of objects, beginning to use a number line to jump on. ✓ Ordering objects by length. ✓ Measuring in cooking activities.
Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Sharing stories, and non-fiction books. ✓ Daily phonics sessions - learning new letters, practising blending and segmenting skills ✓ Writing and mark making - labelling dinosaurs, making information sheets. ✓ Weekly Big Write activities linked to the topic 	Expressive art and design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Choosing materials to create dinosaurs, and scenes - making a background. ✓ Making up and acting out stories about dinosaurs. ✓ Making dinosaur music and movements. ✓ Talking about how to make their creative work better - evaluating our work.
Understanding the world	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Finding out about different celebrations and festivals- Chinese New Year, Pancake day. ✓ Seasonal changes ✓ Making time lines, looking at events in the past. 		