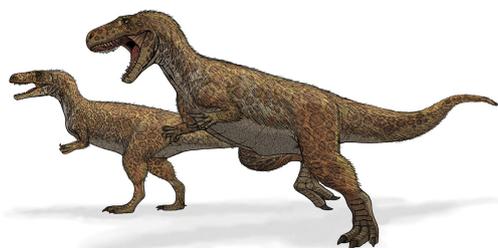


Spring Term 2020
Curriculum Newsletter Year 1
Topic – Time Travellers

Language, Literacy and Communication



Oracy:

Talk about facts and information they have found out and report back to their friends. Ask and answer questions to find out more information.

Reading: Read a range of non-fiction books about the dinosaurs found in the wider world and in Wales. Read a range of books about the ways of life of people in different countries. Read books related to our topic, as well as powerpoints and the internet. Use the internet for research.

Writing: Write about dinosaurs using different contexts e.g. fact files, label pictures, and diagrams. Write reports and postcards documenting information about life in the time of the dinosaurs.

Concentrate on writing using a capital letter and a full stop. Continue with Read Write Inc. daily sessions.

Mathematical Development



Pupils will be developing their mathematical skills in both the indoor and outdoor classrooms. Concepts to be covered/revisited during this term include:

- One/two more and less
- Doubles and near doubles up to double 10
- Revise number bonds within 10
- Use known number bonds to add/subtract within 30
- Days of the week/months of the year/seasons
- 3D shape, names and properties
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Odds and evens
- Halves and quarters of shapes
- Time – o'clock and half past

Problem solving

Knowledge & Understanding



This project has a history/science focus and teaches children about the world of dinosaurs and how life has been very different throughout the ages.

In Time Travellers, children will find out about the different dinosaurs, what they were like, how scientists and paleontologists have been able to identify and classify dinosaurs.

We will be learning about dinosaur size, how and what they ate, how they moved,

how long they lived for, and why they eventually became extinct. The children are interested in skeletons and how they are able to move. Much of the learning has been generated by the children themselves.

We will be covering some of the following skills:

- They will make observations about dinosaurs
- ask and respond to questions and find answers using learning materials and sources.
- recognise and group items of information
- learn to write simple reports and learn additional skills of sentence writing and explanation.
- use ICT and other skills to collect and store information;
- present information in a variety of ways, including ICT.

Ways to help at home



Please continue to listen to your child read, read them stories daily, and encourage their interest in learning by borrowing books from the library, and watching appropriate child friendly videos on kids youtube (ideally within sight of yourself). The children were really excited to visit the museum, and would likely benefit from another visit with their family, to reinforce their learning, time permitting of course. PE kits should be left in school now for use on Thursday and Friday, both indoor and outdoor kits. Thank you for your continued support.