

Early Years Spring Term 1

Hook

We find an egg in our classroom! What could it be? Each day the egg will crack a little more. There will be a video of the egg cracking to engage the children.

Express

We welcome the parents into our 'home-made' dinosaur museum on **Tuesday 11th February**. The children will entertain the parents with a performance of 'The Little Green dinosaur' story.

Maths:

- Numbers within 10.
- Calendar and Time.
- Addition and Subtraction within 10
- Grouping and Sharing

Expressive Arts and Design

- Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.
- Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching pitch and melody.
- Develop storylines in their pretend play.
- Select and use specific media and colours for a purpose.

Our topic is: **Dinosaur Discovery**



What is a dinosaur?

Dates:

Back to school - Monday 6th January

Heart start first aid - Monday 27th January

Open Box - Wednesday 29th January

Parents in for Express - Tuesday 11th February

Dentist visit - Thursday 13th February

Nurses visit - Friday 14th February

PSHE:

- Dreams & Goals
- Never giving up

Communication and Language

- Use new vocabulary in play, increasingly influenced by stories and books that I have read.

Physical Development

- Develop overall body strength, balance, co-ordination and agility.
- Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.
- Develop fine motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently.

Literacy

- Blend sounds to read short simple words & read some words which aren't phonetically decodable.
- Use non-fiction books to find out about dinosaurs.
- Write warning signs for how to look after the egg.
- Write what happens when the egg hatches.
- Label dinosaurs and their features.

Home learning opportunities!

Our PE day is **Friday**.

Please ensure children wear suitable PE clothing as the colder weather approaches so they can take part in outdoor PE. Please also ensure that your children have earrings and other jewellery removed on PE days for their safety. We ask that you do not send your child with laces unless you have taught them how to tie laces independently.

Make a dinosaur model out of Lego, junk modelling or clay.

Find out facts about dinosaurs and have a go at writing some.

Reading:

We promote the importance of reading and actively encourage children to read at home. Children will be provided with reading passports to record their reading in. Try asking your child questions about what they have read so far in order to check their understanding.

Reading books and library books will be changed on **Thursdays**.

Draw and label your own dinosaur.

Build a dinosaur habitat.

Share story books and information books with your adult about dinosaurs.

