



Eden Class Spring Term

Dinosaurs! Deadly and danger-

During this topic we will be learning about a variety of different dinosaurs and finding out if they were all deadly or dangerous.

Topic Launch: Discover footprints and a dinosaur egg in the classroom. Predict what is inside and where it has come from. Investigate footprints., are they smaller or bigger than your own footprints? Building a nest for the dinosaur egg.

Literacy

Read 'The little green dinosaur.' Sequence and act out the story using puppets. Begin to learn the story using a story map. Innovate the story by changing the setting and characters.

Speaking and Listening– describe and name a dinosaur they have designed. Adopt a role e.g a palaeontologist in the role play area (fill with paper mache fossils, paintbrushes, magnifying glasses, maps etc).

Expressive Arts and Design

Making masks, fossils with clay, 3D dinosaur world, junk model dinosaurs, exploring patterns and texture.

Dinosaur music: Explore percussion instruments. Play them & listen to different sounds (loud, soft, fast, slow, light, heavy). Discuss how the same instrument can make different sounds.

Physical Development

- Perform dances using simple movement patterns.
- Develop gross motor movements to mimic various dinosaurs. Develop fine motor movements through digging, scraping & chipping at fossils using various small tools.

RRS Articles

Article 31

Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.



Mathematics

- Use 'Numberblocks' to introduce numbers 6-10
- Numberbonds to 5
- Addition to 10
- Comparing the size of dinosaur footprints and bones
- 2D and 3D shapes

Understanding the World

When? Where? How? Finding out about dinosaur facts: What dinosaurs are there? Discuss different types – Flying, 2-legged, 4-legged, meat eating, vegetarian, etc. Were there any dinosaurs that lived in the water? Look in some information books and use the contents or index pages to check.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- What does the term 'extinct' mean? How can we help endangered species?
- Discuss attributes required to be a palaeontologist e.g. patience, perseverance etc. Discuss the importance of looking after our world and caring for the environment.

Computing/safety

Internet safety with Smartie the penguin. Discuss how to deal with pop ups.

Final Product: Dinosaur exhibition. Invite parent's to visit the exhibition to look at what we have found out about dinosaurs.