

Foundation Stage Newsletter

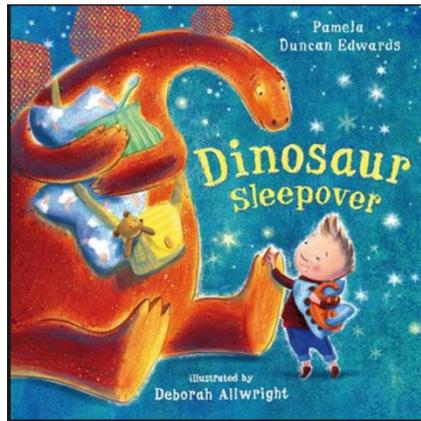
Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely Easter break!

Topic

This half term our book will be 'Dinosaur Sleepover' by Pamela Duncan Edwards and Deborah Allwright. This book is about a boy and his friend Dinosaur who have been invited to a cousin's birthday sleepover, the problem is Dinosaur is a little bit nervous. As Dinosaur worries about the party, his friend makes sure that Dinosaur will have everything he needs to feel better. Within this topic we will be exploring the themes of emotions, celebrations and dinosaurs. The children will have the opportunity to explore lots of dinosaur themes in school and even bring home their own dinosaur toy to go on adventures with!

Communication and Language

Our book and dinosaur topic this half term provides opportunities to explore and understand a vast range of new and unusual vocabulary as the children investigate bones and different dinosaurs over the coming weeks. Reception children will be using this vocabulary in their writing and play. Nursery children will focus on this vocabulary in their play and during circle and carpet time.



PSED

Our book this half term provides opportunities to explore and understand different emotions we may feel in certain situations.

The children will be given lots of opportunities to discuss how we might feel in different situations and how we can help our friends.

Physical Development

Hopefully the cold, wintery weather is now coming to an end, but no matter what is happening outside, we will be there. This half term we will be encouraging the children to try and build caves and dens of all different sizes for dinosaurs to live in. We will be using crates, tyres and a variety of materials to make some strong stable homes for dinosaurs.

Read Write Inc and homework

As Read Write Inc continues to be used in Foundation Stage can we please remind parents to return the children's ditty books each Thursday for a new book to be sent home on Friday. Homework will continue to be sent home each half term in the same format: a number of different activities will be given for children to do with parents and carers throughout the half term with homework books being brought into school on Thursday and sent home on Friday.

Forest Schools and PE

.Reception PE will continue to be on a Wednesday. **Nursery do not** need a school PE kit.

Forest schools will also continue to take place on a **TUESDAY**.

Nursery children will take part every other week in the morning. Please can they come to school dressed in their kit. If your child is staying for the afternoon they will need their uniform to change into afterwards.

Reception children will take part every week on a Tuesday afternoon. Please could they come to school dressed in their uniform and bring their kit in a bag to change into in the afternoon.

Please ensure your children have appropriate clothing for forest schools and if the weather continues to be cold and wet please remember old warm clothing, wellington boots and a coat.

Our Christian Value this term is 'Friendship' which fits well with the themes in our book.