



Ruby and Sapphire EYFS learning Overview - Spring B 2021

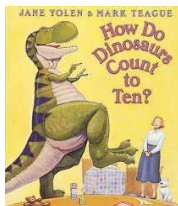
Communication and Language

Through learning about dinosaurs and role play paleontology, we will encourage children to develop their ability to ask relevant questions, to listen to answers and to follow instructions. We will encourage children to talk through their ideas and share their opinions. Children will become Dinosaur experts and play 'hot-seat' games to share their knowledge with others.



Mathematics

Children will continue to apply the counting principles when counting 6-10 (forwards and backwards). They will learn to represent those numbers in different ways and count out the required number of objects from a larger set. Throughout the term, children will continue to explore pattern, 2D and 3D shapes as well as thinking about ordering and sequencing times in their day and week.



Understanding the World

We will become scientists and paleontologists this half term. We will be exploring differences and similarities between animals and plants. We will prepare our vegetable beds for new crops and plant bulbs and seeds and watch how they grow. We will also be making our own miniature gardens and landscapes as well as thinking about how we can look after our environment.

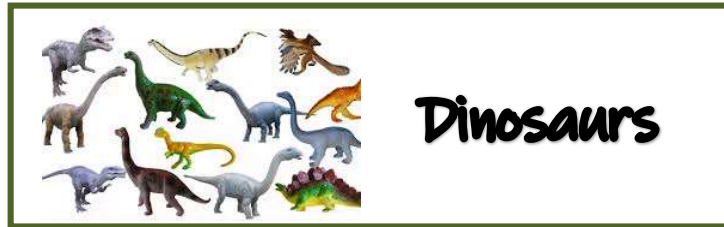
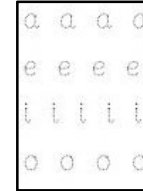


Physical Development

We will continue to learn about keeping ourselves healthy and safe this half term.

For the first few weeks we will continue to keep fit with Joe Wicks. In PE lessons we will be moving like dinosaurs and developing our own dinosaur stomps.

We will have lots of practice developing our physical skills as we dig over our garden and start planting vegetables. There will also be an emphasis on developing correct letter formation.



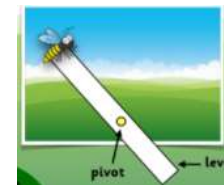
Dinosaurs

Expressive Arts and Design

In music we will be listening to and composing our own dinosaur songs and music.

We will be having a design and making focus this half term, learning about planning and adapting initial ideas to make them better.

We will be making moving pictures using slides and pivots.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will focus on developing children's awareness, knowledge and understanding of what our bodies need to be healthy. We will continue to encourage children to persevere at activities and to try something new.

In RE we will be thinking about how we can care for our wonderful world. As Easter approaches, we will be thinking about why Christians put a cross in their Easter garden.

Literacy

A few of the fantastic books about dinosaurs we will be reading are:

Dear Dinosaur by Nicola O'Byrne

Dinosaur Roar by Paul Stickland

The Dinosaur that Pooped a planet by Tom Fletcher

Dinosaurs and all that rubbish by Michael Foreman.

We will be focusing on using our phonics skills and knowledge to help us read and write simple instructions. When children are ready they will start to read Red Read Write Inc books (if safe to do so they will bring them home).





In addition Year 1 Learning Overview - Spring B

Science

We will be revisiting the theme of Plants this half term. We will:

- identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees
- identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.



Geography

This half term we will be developing our map skills – mapping out our local environment and finding out where animals are found all over the world.



English

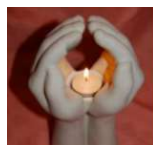
This half term we will be writing instructions and factual accounts linking to dinosaurs as well as letter writing.

We will be focusing on spelling Red words that link to the children's book level, practicing cursive script (starting on the line with a 'here we go...' before forming letters correctly.)

We will be continuing to learn different aspects of grammar specifically plurals and suffixes e.g. 'ed' 'ing' & 'er'.

RE

We will explore the theme: Why do Christians pray to God and worship him?



Art, design and technology

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PE

Our focus this half term is dance during indoor PE lessons. Children will move in different directions and speeds with control, showing simple dinosaur actions, responding to accompaniment. We will keep healthy and active by getting outside as much as we can.

Music

We will identify differences between sounds (for example, difference in pitch or volume) and use and choose sounds confidently in response to a stimulus. We will create graphic notation to represent sounds and when they should be played.

Maths

We will continue to focus on:

- Place Value to 50, comparing two numbers within 50, using language 'more than', 'less than' and 'equal to' alongside the correct symbols
- Spot and discuss patterns that emerge when counting in 5s.
- Introduce weight and mass, using vocabulary such as heavy, light, heavier than, lighter than before using scales to check.

PSHE

During this half term we will explore the importance of developing a healthy lifestyle, focusing on how to create a healthy, balanced diet and why physical activity is essential. We will also discuss dental hygiene and healthy choices.

Computing

We will continue to master Google Classroom, explore books online and use google maps and possibly VR technology.