



Robin's class- Year 1

Spring Term 1 & 2- Newsletter

'The Land of Dinosaurs' - Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

This term, Robin's Class are turning into palaeontologists! We are so excited to dig into the fascinating world of dinosaurs, fossils, and skeletons. Our term is packed full of hands-on learning, creativity, and exciting discoveries.

History: Meet Mary Anning.

We'll start the term by exploring history, focusing on the amazing fossil hunter Mary Anning. The children will find out how she discovered fossils along the cliffs, the challenges she faced, and why her discoveries were so important. Her curiosity and determination will inspire our own investigations as historians!

Geography: Where Did Dinosaurs Live?

Next, we'll dive into geography, exploring the landscapes where dinosaurs lived. The children will learn how the world looked long ago, think about different habitats, and discover how the Earth has changed over millions of years.

Design & Technology: Dinosaur Skeleton Puppets.

Then it's time for Design & Technology, where all our learning comes together. The children will be making Dinosaur Skeleton Puppets! At the end of Spring 1, we'll be hosting our Dinosaur Museum – a special chance for you to come and see all their amazing creations!

PSHE- Keeping ourselves safe

This term our PSHE focus is around learning to keep ourselves safe. We will be learning about:

What is safe to go in my body- foods and staying safe around medicine

Keeping safe indoors and outdoors

Listening to my feelings

Keeping safe online

People who help to keep me safe

We will also take part in an age-appropriate session on PANTS, supported by the gentle story Pantosaurus:

P – Privates are private

A – Always remember your body belongs to you

N – No means no

T – Talk about secrets that upset you

S – Speak up, someone can help

You can find more information here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/pants-underwear-rule/>





Spring 2: "Spring Has Sprung"



When we start Spring 2 (The next half term), our new topic will be "Spring Has Sprung", where we will explore science, art, and PSHE.

Science – Plants

The children will:

Identify common wild and garden plants, including flowers like tulips, daisies, and sunflowers.

Learn how plants grow from seeds or bulbs.

Plant seeds and bulbs, observe their growth, and compare how different conditions affect them.

Discover what plants need to survive and stay healthy.

It's going to be a hands-on, investigative block, perfect for budding scientists!

Art – Van Gogh

In art, we'll study Vincent Van Gogh, focusing on his Sunflowers painting. The children will:

Look closely at Van Gogh's use of colour and brushstrokes.

Experiment with bright, bold colours in their own flower and plant paintings.

Create a final piece inspired by Van Gogh that links to what they've learned about plants.

PSHE- Rights & Responsibilities

In our PSHE lessons we will be learning all about:

Looking after my special people

Looking after my friends

Being helpful at home and caring for our classroom

Caring for our world

Looking after money

Saving money and keeping it safe

We're looking forward to a term full of creativity, curiosity, and hands-on learning, from digging for fossils like Mary Anning, to growing plants, and creating bright, bold Van Gogh-inspired artwork.

You can see our medium-term plan on our class page on the school website if you'd like to find out more details about what we'll be learning each week.

Thank you for your continued support, we can't wait to share all the children's amazing work with you this term!

Best wishes,

Miss Gill

