

September 2023

## Stomp, stomp and soar on wings!

I wonder if any dinosaurs have visited our school? We must explore and find out.....

As geographers we will be using our friendly dinosaur to help us explore our local area and compare it with areas far away. We will look at and draw maps, find out about local and far away landmarks and compare weather and plants and animals from home and away.

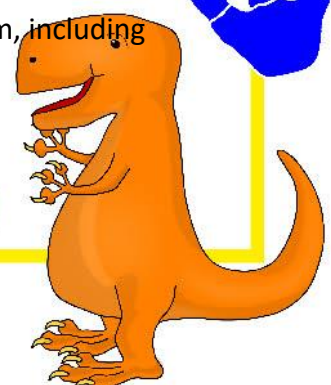
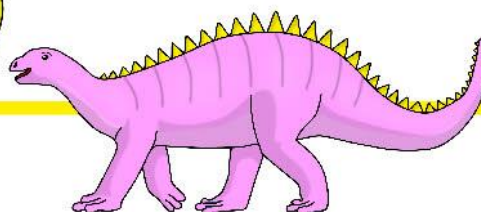
As writers we will practice writing letters accurately, compose letters, labels, stories, poems and we shall make an information book about dinosaurs. We will be thinking about punctuation, especially capital letters and full stops. We will have our daily phonics sessions to learn new sounds and reinforce known sounds.

As mathematicians we will be counting, adding and subtracting, and beginning to learn our 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will use the computer to make charts for handling data related to dinosaurs and we will practise measuring skills, solving real life problems and using money.

As artists and musicians our sessions are also related to our dinosaur topic. We will discover new creative skills, using materials such as chalk, pastels, pencils and paint. In music we will learn lots of songs about dinosaurs and we will investigate rhythm, tempo, pitch as well as having at go at composing our own music.

As scientists we shall examine the characteristics of animals, comparing them to plants. We will also find out what we need in order to live and grow healthily. Our experimental and investigative work focuses on making observations, measurements and comparisons, presenting findings in drawings and block graphs and using results to draw conclusions. We will compare dinosaurs, using vocabulary such as predator, prey, carnivore and herbivore.

Our Forest School sessions will take place on a Monday afternoon. Please remember to bring warm clothes, a hat, scarf and waterproofs to school every Monday. We will be learning lots of new skills this term, including





know tying, bridge building and fire lighting. We will be investigating the huge variety of living things in our local environments, and of differences between them. We will learn that although individual living things are different there are similarities which can help to sort them into groups and that this is helpful. This will work alongside our science topic, reinforcing our learning and understanding.

In computing we will be finding out about how we can keep safe on-line We shall also be learning to read the data on a pictogram and finding out how to answer questions.

In RE we will ask "Why is Christmas important to Christians? We will identify ways in which beliefs can have an impact on a believer's daily life, their family or local community.

A busy and exciting term!

Laura Davies

# Soar on wings



Our values this term are

**Respect** and **Responsibility**

**Trust, respect, responsibility, courage, compassion and perseverance at the heart of all we do.**

