

Cheswardine Primary and Nursery School

Curriculum Newsletter



Class: One

Term: Spring

Academic Year: 2020

Reach for the Stars

This terms topic is: Deadly Dinosaurs

What you can do at home

English

- We are starting the term looking at *Dear Dinosaur*, examining letter writing, writing fact files about our favourite dinosaur and incorporating a trip to Shrewsbury Museum.
- We will be using knowledge of talking and writing in the past tense to recount the trip to the museum.
- We will be looking at the features of traditional tales such as characters, settings and plots.
- We will use story mapping to retell and write our own stories.
- We will be looking at rhyming words and patterns in poems.
- We will be writing information about what we have learnt in this topic incorporating

- Read at home daily.
- Learn your spellings.
- Write a letter to a friend.
- Think about using the phonics you know to spell out words.
- Practise neat writing at home.

	instructions, questions, statements and 'did you know' boxes.	
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Years will be looking at calendars and time by looking at days of the week and months of the year. They will be working with numbers up to 15 and grouping and sharing numbers equally. We will be starting to double and halve numbers as well as working with money by starting to look at coins. • Year One will be using clocks to tell the time to the hour and half hour. They will be solving problems involving multiplication and division as well as finding half and a quarter of objects, shapes and quantities. • Year Two will be using clocks to tell the time to the quarter hour and to five minute intervals. They will be multiplying and dividing into 2s, 5s and 10s and writing simple fractions including their equivalent, i.e. $\frac{2}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$. They will also be learning to recognise, find, name and write fractions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognise coins. • Tell the time. • Learn 2, 5 and 10 times tables in and out of order.
Science	<p>In Science we will be learning about the common features of living things and what they need to survive, we will be looking at the habitats and diets of dinosaurs, focusing on food chains and carrying out an experiment on how dinosaurs ate their food!</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare yourself to a dinosaur. Are your basic needs the same? • Keep a food diary and see what sorts of food you eat in a week. Would you eat the same as a dinosaur?

Topic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Topic we are examining dinosaurs in more detail. We will be looking at when they lived and what it was like to live then. We will be discussing archaeology and looking at the continents in more detail and we will be finding out about Mary Anning and her contribution to the discovery of dinosaurs and fossils. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research your favourite dinosaur. • Go on a fossil hunt – what can you find?
Art	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will be using pencil lines to create dinosaur sketches. • We will explore using paint and line to create dinosaur paintings. • We will be learning about the famous Artist Picasso and re-creating pictures from his Surrealism period with a dinosaur twist! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In RE we are looking at whether science has all the answers. We will be looking at two different religious festivals through Chinese New Year and Puja. We will be studying and comparing the Christian creation story and the Aborigine Dreaming story. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
PSHE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will be practising active yoga and mindfulness activities throughout the term. • We will also be reflecting on social situations and how to have a healthy lifestyle. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will be listening to some examples and commenting on music from different genres. These include Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra and Folk. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We will be recreating simple versions of music in these styles with instruments and singing.	
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Active sports Superstars	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•