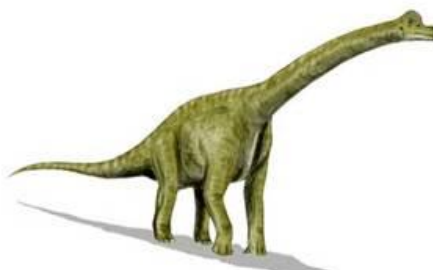


# KS1 NEWSLETTER

6<sup>th</sup> January 2020



**Welcome back and a Happy New Year!**

**We hope that you have had a great Christmas break and are looking forward to the Spring Term. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the tremendous support we received towards our Christmas play and party. The children thoroughly enjoyed performing their show to you and had a great time at their Christmas party.**

## **Topic**

This half term we will be starting our next new and exciting topic called 'Stomping with Dinosaurs'. The children will be developing their literacy skills by engaging in a number of projects related to their topic work. These will include writing letters, reports, poems, adventure stories and instructions. In addition, the children will develop their numeracy skills by solving a range of numeric 'dinosaur problems'.



In Art and Design, the children will be drawing and painting dinosaurs and creating their own dinosaur fossils. They will also be making film sets for a movie about dinosaurs.

In Science, the children will be learning how to name, group and classify different dinosaurs. They will be visited by a dinosaur expert and carry out a range of scientific investigations relating to dinosaurs and fossils. They will also be looking at how and why life on our planet has changed since 'dinosaur times' during their history lessons.

The children will be creating a dinosaur song and dance routine during their P.E. and music lessons which we are hoping to show you during a 'dinosaur assembly' for parents on Tuesday 6th February. We hope that you will be able to attend.

The children will also be learning about staying safe online and showcase some of their work during a Safer Internet Week Assembly during the last week of term.

### **Morning Routines**

If possible, please could you bring your child into class in a morning and stay with them for 5 – 10 minutes while they change their reading book, practise their handwriting and their spellings. We encourage the children to form their letters in a cursive script starting from the bottom left of the loop as this makes it much easier for them to start joining their letters together when they are ready.

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### **Hometime**

REMINDER – KS1 HOMETIME IS 3.15PM.

Please could you stand well back from the doors, away from the canopy, to ensure that all of the children leave safely.

### **Homework**

Your child will bring home a reading book, spelling sheet and home-school diary every night. Please could you listen to them read and help them to practise their spellings on a daily basis. This will then need to be recorded in their home school diary and brought into school every day. They will also bring home a homework challenge each week on a Monday, to be returned on Thursday.

### **P.E.**

P.E. days are as follows:

Yellow 1 – Mrs Padley and Mrs Moore – Tuesday and Friday

Yellow 2 – Miss Jones - Monday and Thursday

Yellow 3 – Mrs Cahill and Mrs Leavesley - Tuesday and Friday

Yellow 4 – Mrs Spencer - Tuesday and Thursday

Yellow 5 – Mrs Asvadi - Tuesday and Friday

Your child will need their P.E. kit including plimsoles/trainers, NO JEWELLERY PLEASE. Please could you ensure that your child's PE kit and uniform is CLEARLY LABELLED to avoid it getting lost. It may be easier to leave your child's P.E kit at school on their coat peg throughout the week as they are now having at least two P.E. lessons each week.

### **Dates for your diary**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Back to School

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January – Great Orchestra of Christmas Children's Charity – Non Uniform Day

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb - Online Safety Week – Safer Internet Day Tuesday

Tuesday 11th February at 9.15 – Dinosaur Assembly for Parents (Children's Performance)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Last Day of Term

Monday 24th February – Back to School



If you have any questions or queries, please come in to see us either first thing in the morning or after school. We are available most days.

Thank you for your continued support.

**KS1 Class Teachers**

***Mrs Moore, Mrs Padley Miss Jones, Mrs Cahill, Mrs Leavesley, Mrs Spencer and Mrs Asvadi***