

**BLUE Learning Team (Squirrel/Toucan/Chipmunk)**

**Topic: Dinosaurs: Why wouldn't a dinosaur make a good pet?**

This term we will be learning about different dinosaurs and categorising other animals. The children will be making their own dinosaur and making a habitat for it.

In addition we are also going to be learning about seasonal changes.

**English**

We will be looking at stories about dinosaurs and making a dinosaur fact book.

**Mathematics**

We will be learning about addition and subtraction. We will also be learning about measuring length and height, including how to read a scale.

**Topic**

**Computing:** We will be learning simple programming skills using Daisy the Dinosaur.

**RE:** We will be learning about different stories of Creation.

**PSHCE:** We will be learning how to make simple choices to improve our health and wellbeing.

**PE:** We will be doing Gymnastics, including learning about balances, stretches and rolls.

**Music:** We will be learning about different styles of music including Bhangra, folk, Latin and funk.

**You can help your child by:**

Reading about dinosaurs and being able to recall some facts about them.

Practising measuring objects around the home with a ruler.

# Curriculum Newsletter



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CHILDREN WILL COVER THE OBJECTIVES IN ENGLISH AND MATHS THAT RELATE TO THEIR AGE RELATED EXPECTATIONS BUT IT MAY

HAPPEN IN DIFFERENT TERMS DEPENDING ON THEIR LEARNING TEAM.

## GREEN Learning Team (Koala/Tiger)

### Topic: Light and Dark

#### Why isn't everyone afraid of the dark?

We will be investigating different light sources. We will also be learning about nocturnal animals and finding out lots of interesting facts about space.

#### English

Fiction and poetry. We will be focussing on 'The owl who was afraid of the dark' story.

#### Mathematics

This term we will be focussing on Calculations.

- Read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving addition and subtraction.
- Practise different ways of making numbers. (Number bonds)
- Solving problems involving addition and subtraction

#### Topic

**Computing:** Programming

**RE:** What can we learn from creation stories?

**PSHCE:** Drug Education—Understanding why we take medicine and rules on how to keep safe.

**PE:** Derby County and gymnastics

**Music:** In the groove—Listening to and singing different genres of music

#### You can help your child by:

Practise your number bonds to 10 and 20

Practise finding your sounds in your reading book

Practise adding and taking away.

## Red Learning Team (Zebra & Penguin)

### Topic: Weather and Seasons

This term we will be learning about the four seasons, the types of weather that belong to each one and the clothes we might wear. We will be investigating different materials and their properties e.g. waterproof or not. In art we will be looking at colour and colour mixing independently, investigating how we can make other colours. We will also be imagining a day in the life of a weather reporter.

#### Literacy

Fiction, Non-Fiction and Poetry

#### Mathematics

Calculations

Shape Space and Measure

#### Topic

**Computing:** Research and data Handling

**RE:** Which places rare special and why?

**PSHCE:** Developing a healthy, safe lifestyle

**Physical:** Fundamentals: Agility, Balance and Control

Outdoor Learning

**Music:** High and low pitch . Listening to songs, making music

**Geography:** Weather

**Science:** Growth

**Art:** Colour mixing

**French:** Numbers 1-10

#### You can help your child by:

Asking them what they have done at school.

Share their reading books.

Practise the phonics sounds/complete the suggested activity.

Practise the handwriting letters.