



Term: Summer 1

Learning Project:

Which was the biggest dinosaur

Communication & Language

Read, share or listen to stories about dinosaurs.

Collect questions that chn want to explore throughout the project.

Practice saying names of different dinosaurs - which is their favourite and why?

Literacy

Writing Den:

Make up stories about a large creature meeting a small creature.

Draw different dinosaurs and make name cards for them.

Make information leaflet about their favourite dinosaur using words and pictures.

Reading Den:

Listen to and explore stories.

Use puppets and props to re-tell stories.

Laminated pictures from story to order.

- Dinosaurs galore
- Trouble at the dinosaur café
- Dinosaurs love underpants
- The dinosaur who lost his roar

Maths Den

Sing number songs about dinosaurs and other animals.

Talk about big numbers and small numbers - sets of objects from 0 - 10 and 10 - 20 - more than/less than.

Measure out length of dinosaur on playground - compare to dog, cat, mouse/

Dinosaur name cards - count letters - which dinosaur had longest name?

Personal, Social & Emotional Development.

Can select and use activities and resources with help.

Can play in a group, extending and elaborating play ideas in role play of stories using role play areas/puppets or small world.

Sand/Water/Materials

Dig in sand tray for fossils, bones and dinosaurs. Draw pictures and describe what they have found.

Use mud, wet and dry to mould a dinosaur landscape.

Make small world landscapes using grass, stones and pebbles.

Investigate filling and emptying.

Fish for and find tiny animals in water tray using sieves and nets to catch them.

Play with and talk about the dinosaurs that lived underwater.

Understanding the world

Use microscopes to look at very small things and binoculars to look at things far away.

Use the internet to find pictures of largest and smallest living things.

Explore touching and handling fossils and make rubbings of patterns.

Investigate bones and skeletons and talk about what they are and where they come from.

Log on to National History Museum website - help chn read about dinosaurs.

Dinosaur scrap book - features of diff dinosaurs.

Construction

Build a giant dinosaur using cardboard boxes and bricks.

Make shelters and enclosures for different sized animals and a giant enclosure for a dinosaur.

Uses boxes of different sizes to create big and small models.

Expressive Arts and Design

Paint outside using water with large paint brushes.

Make clay models of dinosaurs.

Paint a large dinosaur.

Move to loud music to show how a dinosaur moves - move to quiet music to show how a mouse moves.

Use recycled materials to create dinosaurs on a small and large scale inside and outside.

Physical Development.

Make dinosaur footprints across the playground using sponges and paint.

Make model dinosaurs on large scale using crates, boxes, tyres, pipes etc.

Small World

Create a dinosaur world using wood, stones, cones and other natural materials.

Create a tiny world for pixies, fairies and elves to live in.

Role Play

Become a dinosaur hunter using back packs, binoculars, maps, a compass, hats and boots.

Create an archaeologists den or a museum for dinosaur bones and fossils.

Become dinosaurs using masks and puppets.