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To begin the term we will be reflecting on Christmas and learning about Epiphany and Jesus' love for us and the gifts we have. We will then be exploring the theme of 'Revelation'. The children will be taking part in lots of activities to understand how they are special in different ways and to understand how special Jesus is as a person and how his example can help us in our daily lives.

We will also be having a week of Chinese New Year activities to celebrate the Year of the Dog!



Literacy

This term we will be using our phonics to write thank you letters, a dinosaur fact card and writing a dinosaur story.

We will be looking at the story of 'The Little Green Dinosaur' and retelling it in the correct order and sequencing pictures and using the role play area to dig up dinosaur bones!!!

We will also be reading the "Harry and the Bucket Full of Dinosaurs" stories so please bring any in to share.

Maths

This term we will be continuing to count, recognise and write numbers initially to 10 then to 20 and beyond. We will be finding one more and one less than a given number and, in practical activities, begin to use the vocabulary involved in adding and subtracting.

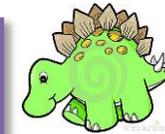
We will be ordering dinosaur footprints prints and making patterns using coloured dinosaurs.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be using the musical instruments to explore and experiment with loud and quiet sounds.

We will be making dinosaurs using collage materials and might even design and sew one using felt!

Every Tuesday afternoon we will be taking part in a dance session led by an external dance specialist. We will be learning to explore our feelings through dance. We are aiming to put on a dance show for parents / carers at the end of the term.



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Meldon Class Spring Term 2018 Dinosaurs

Personal Social and Emotional Development

This term our topic is 'going for goals' and we will be learning to build our independent skills by setting challenges, for example, putting our coats on by ourselves and getting changed for PE without any adult help, etc. We will also be learning to build resilience so that when things are tricky we can bounce back and have another go!

We will also conclude the topic with a dinosaur romp – helping children to understand sharing and turn taking with their friends and dinosaurs!



Things to remember...



To encourage home learning we are starting some busy bee bags – please don't feel you have to take one but if you would like an activity bag on a Friday your child can choose one. You can keep it for a week then return it with the reply slip – they are to encourage independent skills and are for pre-school and Reception class children.

The Reception class children read on a specific day – please have your purple reading record book in school so we can record and send new books home. We all go to the library on a Friday to change our wise owl books.

Show and tell is on Monday afternoon – please bring in something related to the topic- for example, a favourite dinosaur!

Understanding the World

We will be learning about where dinosaurs used to live and their habitats and we might even go on an expedition!

On the learnpads we will be playing phonic games and finding out facts about dinosaurs.

To look at changes we will be making dinosaur biscuits for the dinosaur romp!

Physical Development

Our PE day will continue to be Friday (am) when we have an external coach in to teach us. We will be continuing to practise getting changed independently and learning team games this term. Each week (Monday am) we will be going on a 'welly walk'. Please make sure your child has wellies in school and a suitable coat.