

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

RECEPTION- SPRING TERM 2018

We are all looking forward to an exciting term in Reception. Our unit of work is 'All Creatures Great and Small'. We are starting with the largest creatures...dinosaurs! We have planned a 'wow' start with a dinosaur 'discovery' to inspire the children's interest and enthusiasm for lots of research and creativity of their own. We will be linking our Literacy texts to dinosaurs, both fiction and non-fiction. We will be inviting you into our classroom to share our work and displays as we near the February half-term.

As the term progresses we will be studying animals that are still alive, with a strong link to work in Science. We will look at classification and characteristics of a range of different types of animals.

Reception will continue to have outdoor fun on Fridays. The first half-term will focus on Winter and we will look first-hand at signs of the seasons. In the second half-term we will link to our unit of work on animals, and we will look at the smallest creatures that are all around us...minibeasts!

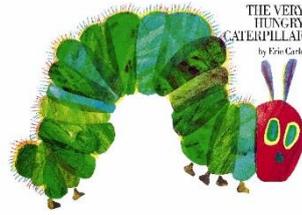
Reception, Year 1 and 2 will continue to work together on lots of creative projects in the afternoons. These will include creating dinosaurs with moving parts, painting dinosaurs and modelling from clay. We will also do a range of artwork linked to festivals and events. We are also looking forward to celebrating the Chinese New Year with the children.

Our work in Maths and phonics continues as normal. We will be continuing with phonics sessions every morning and we will send home details of any new sounds as we learn them. We will be practising spellings in school which will link directly to our work in phonics. In Maths, we will be working with some larger numbers, and we will focus on adding and subtracting small numbers and finding doubles and halves. We will also be doing lots of problem-solving linked to dinosaurs.

As ever, we are always available if you have any queries relating to work in the classroom. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to lots more fun and hard work this term.



DAY 10



The children all worked

so well

on our first Day 10 project linked to our school values, and achieved some wonderful outcomes. At the recent Head Teacher's Conference, our Day 10 work was shared and highly praised, and this term we will be visited by a number of heads of local schools to see the Day 10 work in school.

This coming term we are all excited about our new Day 10 unit which we have called 'LOVING LITERACY'. We hope that the children will enjoy a range of creative activities linked to all aspects of Literacy, and that we will encourage

them to read more widely and write even more creatively. The unit will also link really well to the Oundle festival and to World Book Day, and we will look forward to sharing our work with you as the term progresses.



We will be planning and writing group stories, creating settings and characters and taking part in book quizzes in our library. The children will also have the opportunity to share and review favourite books and poems, and to write some poetry of their own.

