

Year 2 Homelinks 1

Do we know Dinosaurs really existed?



Introduction: We will be exploring Dinosaurs as our very first topic. Our aim is to provide the children with an interesting and exciting approach to cross curricular learning. The topic will provide the children with a wonderful learning platform from non-fictional knowledge based learning in Science and Topic but also to be creative and imaginative through their writing, role play and art.

Curricular Area	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Literacy	Imagine you have travelled back in time to the land of the dinosaurs. Write a story (limit of 500 words) about what you saw. Were you scared? Were you captured by a dinosaur and saved? Did you go on an adventure with a dinosaur?	Imagine that you are a dinosaur for a day. Write a diary entry for that day. What did you do? What did you see?	Use the alphabet! Is there a dinosaur for every letter of the alphabet? Write out the alphabet and try to find a dinosaur for every letter and draw the picture next to it. If you can't find one can you make up a dinosaur name and we will try to guess the made up one!
Mathematics	Make a simple game about dinosaurs e.g. snap, snakes and ladders, top trumps etc. to bring in to school.	Write a recipe including the measurements for a dinosaur's breakfast.	Use different 2D shapes to make a dinosaur picture.
Topic	Create a timeline of your favourite prehistoric period. Draw the timeline with dates and pictures of the dinosaurs in that period.	What are your ten most fascinating facts about dinosaurs? Research about dinosaurs and choose your favourite 10 facts and present them in either a poster, booklet or any other way you can think of.	Interview a dinosaur. Record yourself interviewing a dinosaur. You could be the interviewer or the dinosaur! What would you like to find out about dinosaurs? Research your answers before you make the film so we learn accurate information about that dinosaur. Time limit is three minutes.
Creative	Can you make a dinosaur, fossil or dinosaur egg model? Using any material you like try and make a dinosaur, fossil or egg model. Air drying clay, boxes and yoghurt pots might be useful.	To make a diorama you need an old shoe box, decorate the inside of the box with the scenery (background) and then make model dinosaurs to live in your habitat.	You have discovered the skeleton of a dinosaur that has NEVER been seen before. Draw a picture of it. Give it a name. Describe what it looked like, what it ate and where it lived.

As well as our weekly Reading and Spelling homework we would like all children in Year 2 to try to complete 5 tasks by Thursday 1st December. We look forward to celebrating the children's amazing home learning at school; as they complete a task please can they bring something in to school to share with us (this may be a photograph if it was a practical task with no end result). Thank you for your support.

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Its promises to be a great start to Year Two!

