

# **Early Years Newsletter -**



#### English

For our literacy we are focusing on stories related to the new topic "Animal Antics!". This includes stories such as 'Katie and the Dinosaurs', 'We're going on a dinosaur hunt', 'Mad about dinosaurs', 'We all went on a safari', and many more exciting tales that grasp the children's interest in reading. We will be using different writing formats such as lists, labels, cards and posters. As an addition we shall build upon pupils knowledge of simple sentence writing'. This then continues with the mark making and reading opportunities allowing the children to use the learned sounds in Rocket Phonics to start creating marks they can describe as well as read to their audience.

We are also going to look at 'Padington Bear' in depth to

focus on pupils understanding of text.

### **PSHE**

During the half term children will focus on an in-depth understanding of how to communicate with others and build the independent skills required in social situations. This will be in linked with the Jig-Saw strategies we introduce to the pupils. This half term we shall be informing pupils of 'Relationships'.

#### **Maths**

We shall continue learning about our numbers this term and begin familiarising ourselves with vocabulary in regards to length, height, positional language, weight and capacity; continuous counting; recognizing how to place numerals on ten and twenty frames; identifying teen numbers; and focus on identifying counting in groups of two, fives and tens. Children will able to use real life objects as part of their role play to enhance their vocabulary and problem solving skills. This will then lead to explanation of their reasoning and development of individual thought processes. Songs and specific tasks will help to explain their learning, as well as visual, playful, activities in all areas of provision.

### **Homework**

Please read the book given to your child on the weekend and return on a Monday for pupils to change once completed.

Any other work is given on a Friday to complete. This will be remote learning tasks available on Google

# <u>Topic</u>

The Autumn Two topic relates to our new focus "Animal Antics". This explores and embraces pupil's imagination when discussing their understanding of our Science Unit Dinosaur. We will explore and elaborate on various animals, which links to our pupils understanding of similarities and differences of living thing; a historical, and structures of human bones. It will be great to enhance their learning in relation to various living things and their habitats. We will also be covering the use of Ipads to explore apps to use for labelling and creating natural patterns!



## **Reading Book**

We will be encouraging the children to read every day. Please listen to your children read at home and sign their reading record. Reading

books and other school resources should be brought back into school every day.

