

Dinosaurs

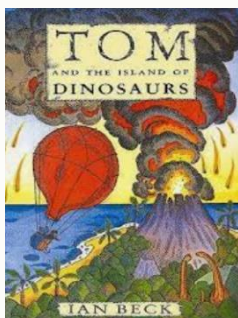
Beech Newsletter Term 4 2022

Dear Parents,

This term we are continuing our 'Dinosaurs' topic and looking at different theories about dinosaur extinction. We will then be looking at climate change, volcanoes and how landscapes have changed over time - looking closely at a variety of climate change factors and natural occurrences. We will be learning about sustainability and how we can look after our planet.

We will be having a 'Dinosaur Dig Day' on Thursday 31st March, this will be a fun day where the children will become palaeologists for the day and take part in lots of dinosaur activities. The children can dress up as an explorer, scientist, their own clothes with a dinosaur theme, camouflage colours or even a dinosaur! They will be making their own lanyards and badges to go with what they choose to wear on the day. They will be making their own artifacts to go in the Beech Class Museum which will be open for visitors ...look out for more information about this!

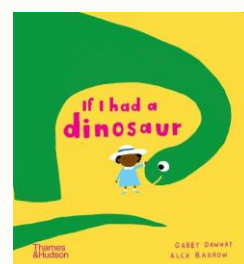
Some of the key texts we will be using for our learning are:



Narrative

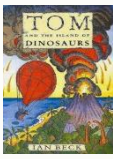

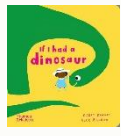

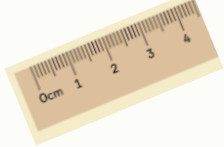
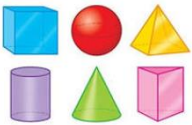


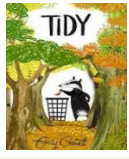




















Non-fiction



Poetry

'Dinosaurs' Learning Map Term 4 2022

Literacy	Narrative 	Non-Fiction 	Rhyming 
Maths	Place Value 	Measure 	Shape 
Science	Sustainability 	Materials 	Tidy - Emily Gravett 
Geography	Volcanoes 	Climate Change 	Changes to landscapes over time 
Music		Exploring Percussion 	
ICT	E-Safety 		Technology 
PSHE		Healthy Me 	
Art	Clay 		Model Making 
RE		Easter 	

Home Learning

Reading	Please read with your child at least three times a week . When reading with your child, please acknowledge the fact that the book has been read by <u>signing and dating in their reading record book</u> . Please make sure the reading record is in school daily.
Spellings and homework	Spellings will be given out each week on a Friday, then will be tested on the following Friday. Please ensure that books are returned to school on Friday. Please practise these words with your child.
Maths	Please continue to practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables at home as much as possible. As an optional extra, MyMaths can be used at home for the children to explore and practise skills whenever they choose.

Useful Websites to support learning

<https://mrnussbaum.com/dinosaur-maker-online> - create your own dinosaurs!

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/prehistoric> - lots of wonderful dinosaur facts

<https://climatekids.nasa.gov/climate-change-meaning/> - climate change for children

If you would like a learning activity to complete at home during this term with your child, you can choose from one of these activities:

- Make a volcano model
- Can you set yourself a challenge to recycle as much of your rubbish as you can? What changes have you made that you could share with others?
- Have a look at the weblinks section later in this letter; there is a great link that lets you design your own dinosaur - how creative can you be?
- Can you measure things around your home? We will be learning to use rulers and tape measures. We will also be looking at ways to measure weight and liquids - what measuring equipment do you have in your house?

Reminders

- Please can you make sure your child brings in a **water bottle** and their **book bag** each day.
- Please make sure your child always has a **coat** in school as the weather can be unpredictable.
- Our PE sessions are on **Monday and Wednesday** but PE kits should be in all week.

We can't wait for our new term ahead of us! Please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions,

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Mackarness and Miss Frankel