



Newsletter - 27th February 2017

Our first week back was a very busy one! We started our new topic of Dinosaurs and looked into how we know that dinosaurs existed. Alex from Bolton Museum showed the children some fossils, such as a triceratops horn and a t-rex claw which the children got to handle and draw. Alex was very impressed with the children's knowledge and couldn't believe they were only nursery and reception children.

At the malleable table the children created a fossil by pushing a dinosaur into play dough and then filling the mold with plaster of paris.

In the mark making area the children practiced forming letters in the dinosaur swamp and in the small world area they became paleontologists and looked for dinosaur bones and fossils within the soil.

The creative area saw the children painting their own dinosaurs, some of which you can see up on our mark making wall.

We didn't get outside on Thursday due to storm Doris! When outside the children have created dinosaur skeletons using a variety of different sized cardboard tubes, dug for dinosaur eggs in the sand, drawn dinosaurs in chalk on the pavement and followed dinosaur footprints.

This week's objectives:

CL - Listening & Attention - Listens to others and one to one or in small groups, when conversation interests them - 30-50 mths

UW - Technology - Knows that information can be retrieved from computers 30-50 mths

M - Number - Separates a group of 3 or 4 objects in different ways, beginning to recognise that the total is still the same - 30-50 mths.

- Knows that numbers identify how many are in a set - 30-50 mths

- Sometimes matches number and quantity correctly - 30-50 mths

P - Moving & Handling - Moves freely and with confidence in a range of ways such as slithering, sliding, crawling, rolling, shuffling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, hopping - 30-50 mths

You can help your child learn by: talking about numbers, what do numbers tell us? What sort of things can you find to count? Can your child count out a number of objects from a larger group? What numbers can they find within their environment?

World Book Day: is on Thursday and we would like your child to bring in an item from their favourite story. It could be a glass slipper from Cinderella or a pot of honey from Winnie the Pooh. We are then hoping that the children will be able to guess which story the item is from.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 31st March - Wow Afternoon.

Close for Easter on Friday 31st March at 3.45pm (School closes at 2.30pm)

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