

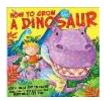
Year 2 Spring 1 Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely break. Thank you to those who continue to support their child's learning by using Numbots and Spelling Shed. Please continue to share the weekly mini-book too and remember to read four times a week to qualify for the end of half term treat. Below please find information about your child's learning this half term and how you can support them with this. Many thanks: Mrs Steadman-Tippett, Mrs Barnett, Mrs Kernot, Mrs Hooley, Mrs Kates, Mrs Riley, Mrs Searle, Mrs Ford, Mrs Albusaidi, Mrs Coates, Mrs Dunaway, Mrs Wimbleton



#### Reminders

PE – Monday and Friday
Forest Schools –Tuesday
Library - Friday
Homework – Reading 4 x a week
Numbots and Spelling Shed

# **Our topic is Dinosaurs**



### **English**

We will be reading and orally rehearsing dinosaur stories before creating our own. We will also be writing wanted posters, thinking about using interesting vocabulary. In **writing**, we will be learning to use apostrophes and add description to our writing using expanded noun phrases and adverbs. This will help make our writing sound more interesting to the reader. In **guided reading**, we will be practising the skills of predicting, retrieving and re-telling, as well as practising how to use the features of non-fiction texts to find and retrieve key information.

### **Maths**

We will be learning to tell and write the time to five minutes including: quarter past and quarter to the hour, drawing the hands on a clock face to show these times. We will be learning how to sort and classify 2d and 3d shapes based on their properties, using vocabulary such as vertices, edges, faces and symmetry. We will also be exploring fractions of shapes and number, explaining how this links to division.

## **Topic**

In **science**, we will be comparing and classifying things that are living, dead or have never lived. We will be using this to identify what animals need to survive and exploring different food chains. In **geography**, we will be recapping the seven continents and five oceans, finding them on globes and atlases. In **art**, we will be exploring how using different pencil techniques can add the appearance of texture to our drawings before creating our dinosaur sketches. We will also be learning about a famous sculptor called Alexander Calder, and practising using his skills to create our own dinosaur sculptures. In **Computing**, we will be using technology to manipulate, organise and store information using Powerpoint. In **PSHE**, we will discussing ways of keeping ourselves safe, and look at ways we can make ourselves feel better if we are ill. In **RE**, we will be exploring the concept of messages, thinking about how messages are important in our lives before considering how Christians believe Jesus shared importance messages. In **PE**, we will be practising balancing both on lines and PE equipment.