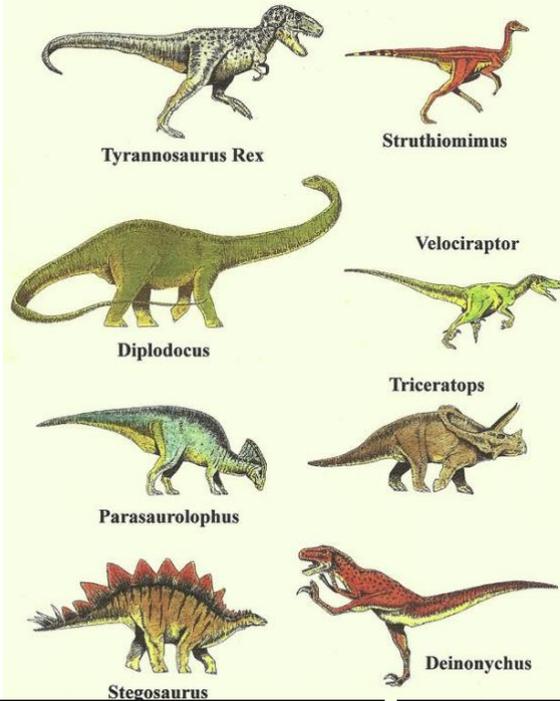


Dinosaurs!

(And all those things!)



Areas of Learning

As writers we will be using and creating dinosaur information texts until half term, then looking at stories set in fantasy settings using 'Where the Wild Things Are' and Tom and the Island of Dinosaurs' as our focus texts. We will plan and write our own dinosaur adventure mini book.

As Historians we will observe and handle evidence to ask and answer questions about the past. We will use stories and online sources to find out about the life of Mary Anning, sequencing the main events in Mary's life, and giving reasons for her actions.

As Geographers we will look at how the world has changed since the time of the dinosaurs. We will find out about Mary Anning's home town of Lyme Regis – its position on the Jurassic Coast – identifying key human and physical features. We will compare this location to Chipping Campden.

As digital experts of the future we will create and debug simple programs. We will use Bebots to explore Tom's Island of Dinosaurs, and see if we can program them to navigate a path around the predators!

As Scientists we will observe seasonal changes over the course of the term, recording and evaluating our findings. We will also explore materials, learning about their properties and investigating which materials would be best to make a warm jumper and a rain coat for Mary Anning.

Be all that we can be.

As learners we will continue to think about what makes a good learner, how we can recognise our own areas for improvement and follow targets to improve. We will look again at classroom and school rules which allow us to be all that we can be.

Develop real life/creative maths

As engineers we will explore how mechanisms such as levers and sliders work and design dinosaur puppets which incorporate these.

We will measure in metres to see just how large some of the dinosaurs were.

We will use a variety of charts to record weather observations in science.

The Arts

As artists we will look at textiles by textile artist Carol Cassidy. We will explore weaving techniques and different materials, and then weave our own blankets for Tom on his Island.

As musicians we will use our voices expressively to sing and say dinosaur chants and rhymes, then accompany them with tuned and un-tuned instruments.