

## Dinosaur Planet Y1

Stomp, crash, roar! Watch out – there are dinosaurs about! Yes, that’s right, we’re travelling back in time to the age of the dinosaurs.

This half term, we’ll look closely at ancient fossils and study reptiles to understand how dinosaurs may have lived and eventually died out. We’ll learn about the great fossil hunter, Mary Anning, and follow in her footsteps, studying dinosaur teeth and bones to find out what dinosaurs liked to eat. Learning dinosaur names, writing fantastic fact files and creating exciting dinosaur stories are some of the other activities we’ll be involved in this half term. We’ll also use our artistic skills to make a fossil mould, model dinosaurs and design dinosaur landscapes.



Topic focus	History
English	Instruction, Fact files, non-chronological reports, narrative
History	Events beyond living memory, Mary Anning
Art & Design	Large and small-scale modelling, sketching fossils
Computing	Purplemash
D&T	Designing and making
Geography	Locating continents and oceans
Mathematics	Measurement, place value and addition and subtraction
Music	Singing, playing instruments and composing
PE	Dance, games
Science	Plants and animals



This topic will start with an ‘eggciting’ discovery!



At the end of our topic, we’ll invite you to our dinosaur museum to share our knowledge with you. You can become palaeontologists and hunt for fossils.



This half term we will meet a dinosaur and have an interactive fossil workshop. Date tbc.

N.B. Phonics and spelling lessons will be ongoing throughout the year, as will reading . The Maths shown above is topic-related and therefore listed separately.

Dinosaurs are fascinating! Why not visit the library, choose some dinosaur books and practise reading and writing dinosaur names together? Alternatively, research amazing dinosaur facts together online. You could also make a mini ‘Jurassic Park’ from cardboard boxes and craft materials to make model dinosaurs feel at home!