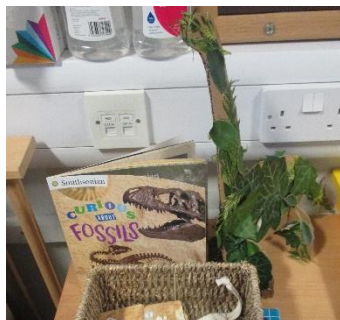




Friday 4th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone and we hope that you have all had an enjoyable holiday. Before the holidays we have sent home our new topic leaflet to share some of our learning with you. Thank you to those who have returned their topic brainstorm "Dinosaurs." If you have not yet done so, please do, so that we may personalise the learning for your child and add their ideas to our new topic. A huge thank you for the amazing home learning projects. We have enjoyed sharing these and they are now proudly on display in our classroom.



We have had such a busy first week back. On Tuesday it was art day for the school. Ladybirds learnt about abstract art based upon the belief of Paul Klees "a drawing is simply a line going for a walk". The child took on the challenge of taking their pencils for a walk. They really enjoyed seeing the end result.



On Wednesday to begin our topic we discovered that dinosaurs are extinct, we explored what this means and thought about why this happened. We explored the word fossil and add these key words to our vocabulary display. We are becoming experts at dressing up and taking on our new role as a palaeontologist in our dig site.





On Thursday it was World Book Day, the children dressing up and showing off their costumes. We made finger puppets, designed a book cover and wrote about who we were dressed up as. Most importantly we read lots of stories that we enjoyed!

Finally on Friday we had the Fire service to visit to end our "People Who Help Us" topic. The children absolutely enjoyed seeing the fire fighters and exploring the fire engine. We got to listen to the sirens, test out the fire hoses and learnt some rhymes to help us keep safe.



During our phonic sessions, we have revisited the letters and sounds ai ee igh and increasingly, we are able to read and write words that contain these digraphs and trigraphs. Top tip - remember to keep reading the words and sentences back for fluency. Also try to sound out the words in your head and say the word aloud.

In Maths we have begun a new phase called Building 9 and 10. We are continuing to follow White Rose Maths to support our learning and key concepts. We have been looking at ordering numerals, grouping numbers and exploring odd and even numbers.

Home Learning Challenge

To complete your home learning project for our dinosaur topic. Please take the time to share your child's reading book with them. The progress of those children who do read their books at home regularly is greatly increased and they are becoming more confident and independent as readers. We also love to earn a golden ticket!

The EYFS Ladybirds Team

We value our parents as partners. Please leave a comment or email on any aspect of your child's learning. Things they are enjoying, new learning that they may have shared with you or things that they may be finding tricky.

My child's name:

Date: