

In Communication and Language...

We will be learning to listen to stories carefully, asking and answering questions about what they have seen and heard.
We will learn to make predictions about what will happen next in the story and why.
We will be learning how to imitate 'The Little Green Dinosaur' using a story map and Talk for Writing actions.
We will be learning how to innovate the story; changing the species of dinosaur and adjectives.
We will use language learnt from the story within our free choice play.
We will learn and listen to a range of pirate, dragon and dinosaur themed poems and songs.
We will learn how to gather information from non-fiction books.

In Physical Development...

We will be learning how to use a pencil to correctly form letters.
We will be learning how to get dressed and undressed for PE.
We will be learning a pirate dance as we sing, The Big Ship Sails on the Alley-alley oh

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development...

We will be learning to show perseverance and resilience as we take on more difficult tasks.
We will be building confidence in new surroundings as we go on a whole year group trip to Sundown Adventure Land - experiencing new adventures.

Enrichment Links are...

Walk to the park, photographing local landmarks ready to create a treasure map.
Trip to Sundown Adventure Land - adventure theme park themed around traditional tales, pirates and dragons.

Our Cornerstone Value Links are...

Joy: We will show joy as we learn and engage in all activities.
Wonder: We will demonstrate wonder of the world before the wild animals we learnt about in The Animal Kingdom topic.
Excellence: We will strive for excellence throughout this topic.

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Minibeasts to Mega Beasts: Long long ago lived magnificent beasts...

What is a mega beast?



In Mathematics...

We will be learning to measure ingredients/ time and follow a recipe to bake fossil cookies.
We will be learning how tall a t-rex was and how long a diplodocus was - using tape measures, metre sticks and a trundle wheel to measure.
We will be learning to compare size by learning how big a triceratops foot was compared to their own.

In Literacy...

Through phonics, we will be learning to read simple and more complex sentences linked to pirates, dragons and dinosaurs.
We will be learning to write simple and complex sentences, including Basics 2 and 3 sounds.
We will be learning to write non-fiction sentences in the style of 'Tell me a dragon.'
We will be learning to write descriptions of different dinosaur species.
We will be learning to write some or all of the story 'The Little Green Dinosaur.'
We will be learning to write our own innovated version of 'The Little Green Dinosaur.'
We will be learning to use full stops and capital letters within all sentences.
We will invent 'Pirate, Dragon and Dinosaur' stories in the role play areas and use puppets and small world figures within play.

In Understanding the World...

We will be exploring floating and sinking and using knowledge gained to make a boat/ raft that floats.
We will be learning about plastic pollution and how it is harming our ocean wildlife.
We will be learning about the role of a shantyman on pirate ships long ago.
We will be learning how to create a treasure map, using local landmarks photographs on our walk to the park.
We will be learning about Mary Anning.
We will be learning about different species of dinosaur, when and where they lived and what they ate.

In Expressive Arts and Design...

We will be learning to sing many songs, chants, raps and tongue twisters themed around Pirates, Dragons and Dinosaurs
We will be learning to play the beat and the pulse using percussion instruments.
We will be learning to sing a sea shanty from long ago.
We will be developing our oil pastel skills by drawing a pirate portrait and creating a night dragon.
We will continue to develop our sketchbook skills as we complete a Clay Dragon Eye project and a Dazzling Dinosaur project.
We will be learning how to create lines, shapes and patterns as we explore observational drawings of fossils.