

## Communication and language

This term we will be focusing on listening carefully. We will be learning poems from the book 'Stomp, Chomp, Big Roars!' and we are looking forward to presenting some of these to parents! We will be learning new vocabulary linked with the dinosaur theme and we will also be thinking of questions to ask.

## Understanding the World

We will be learning to identify and name common animals.  
We will be learning about herbivores and carnivores  
We will be learning what Teams we belong to  
We will be learning to name parts of the body  
We will be learning about people who help us  
We will be finding signs of autumn

## Personal, Social, Emotional Development

This term we will be learning to understand and follow the rules and settle into routines of the class.

We will also have a focus on managing our own toileting needs and the importance of hand washing.

## Physical Development

We will be having weekly P.E sessions with our specialist PE teacher to help develop our agility, balance and co-ordination.

We will be focusing on using our pencil to correctly form letters.

## Literacy

We will be beginning our daily phonics sessions with a focus recognising phase 2 sounds. (s,a,t,p i m n d g o c k c k e u r h b f l ff ll ss j v w x)

We will also be starting guided reading sessions within class with a focus on reading a shared text as a small group.

We will be working on a class dinosaur fact book, which we will all contribute to.

We will also be learning to use our new class library!

## Mathematics

We will be learning to recognise and represent numbers 1, 2,3,4,5

We will be learning to order numbers and count using 1:1 correspondence.

We will be learning to find how many, to subitise and to compare groups.

Stomp, Chomp, Big Roars.  
Here come the Dinosaurs!



## Expressive Art and Design

### Design

We will be performing songs and rhymes

We will be making clay dinosaur eggs

We will be colour Mixing and learning to use a paintbrush.

## RE

We will be learning about Harvest and how different people and religions celebrated harvest over the world.

Welcome to Hedgehogs Class! We have a very busy term ahead.....

PE - Please make sure your child has a P.E kit in school every day. (Please check to make sure that all items of uniform are labelled.)

Home learning - I will be sending out termly home learning to support what children are doing in school.

Toys - It would be appreciated if you could discourage your child from bringing toys to school, as they can sometimes cause unnecessary distractions and on occasions upset if a favourite item is lost or damaged. We would however encourage children to bring in any awards, medals, photographs etc. so we can celebrate achievements/events outside of school.

Drop off - Please encourage children to come in independently in the mornings.

Outdoor Clothing - Children will need wellies in school to take part in our outdoor learning sessions when it gets muddy.

Reading - Children in Reception will initially be given a book with no words to tell their own stories. Once children are able to recognise sounds and blend they will be given a decodable book to practise with at home. Once a child is fluent with the book they will be given a new one. Children will also be able to select a book from the class library each week to share with parents.

Should you have any thoughts, contributions or concerns - please do not hesitate to leave a message with the school office so that I may arrange a mutually convenient appointment to meet with you.

Thanks and best wishes,

J. Burrows