Communication and language

This term we will be continuing to focus on listening carefully. We will be listening to the following stories: Dear Dinosaur,
Tyrannosaurus Drip, Stone girl bone girl and If I had a dinosaur.
We will be learning new vocabulary linked with the dinosaur theme and we will also be learning to express our ideas using the past and present tense.

<u>Understanding the</u> <u>World</u>

We will be learning some similarities and differences between things that happened in the past and now and having an exciting trip to the museum. We will be learning about why it is important to look after our natural environment and how to get help in an emergency.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

This term we will be learning to develop our resilience and learn how to be a good friend.

Physical Development

We will be having weekly P.E sessions with our specialist PE teacher to help develop our agility, balance and co-ordination. This term our theme is Dance.
We will also be learning to hold a pencil correctly and handle tools correctly including scissors.

Literacy

We will be beginning our daily phonics sessions with a focus recognising phase 2 and 3 sounds. (ff ll ss j v w x y z zz qu ch sh th ng)

We will be learning to write our own name and learn about writing letters.

Mathematics

We will be learning about Shape 2D and 3D shapes and finding 1 more and 1 less. We will be learning about number bonds within 5 and positional language.





Expressive Art and

Design

We will be learning to sing songs for our Nativity performance. We will be designing and making a junk modelling dinosaur.

<u>RE</u>

We will be learning about friendship and hearing stories about friendship from different religions. We will be learning the Nativity story and presenting it to parents. Welcome to Hedgehogs Class! We have a very busy term ahead.......

PE - Please make sure your child has a P.E kit is 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 - When children are ready, I will be moving children on to decodable books. Children need to read these books at least 3 times before I will change them. Please record in the reading record books when your child has read. Children each have an assigned day for changing their class library books, if you could encourage your child to bring their library book in on their assigned day it would be appreciated.

Junk modelling dinosaurs - Please could you send it toilet and kitchen rolls for our project this term.

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