

Binstead Primary School

Spring Term 1 2024

Curriculum Information Year R

Welcome to



We enjoyed lots of different Christmas activities.



Having enjoyed our first term at school, we are looking forward to what the next term has to bring. We have continued to become more confident with the routine of the school day and are now ready to learn and develop our skills further.

For your information ...

- Please bring reading book bags to school every day. Reading books **must** be kept in book bags.
- Please read with your child **everyday**.
- Please check book bags regularly for any important letters or information.
- Please ensure your child has a coat in school everyday now that the weather is cold and unpredictable.
- Please check your child's uniform regularly to make sure name labels are clear.
- Sharing books (China Class Library) can be changed every Thursday.
- Access the Class Dojo regularly to be aware of important school information/dates.

Christmas Performance



Mrs Mitchell and the EYFS Team were very proud of China Class as they took part in their first Christmas play performance. They performed 'Away in a Manger' brilliantly and definitely had the cute factor!

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Phonics

In our phonics lessons, we will be continuing to listen for the different phonemes (sounds) that we can hear in words. We will be using sound talk to segment phonemes and blend them together to help us read words, becoming more fluent with our reading.

We will be learning phase 3 of Little Wandle which includes digraphs and trigraphs - 2/3 letters making 1 sound.

Mathematics

In Maths we are continuing to practise our counting and number recognition, finding missing numbers on a number line, subitise to 10 and beginning to add 2 single-digit numbers together.

We will also be learning about size - measuring height and



Our topic is: A Bucketful of Dinosaurs

The children will receive a present of an 'egg'. We will talk about where it has come from; what we should do with it; and what might be inside it!

We will watch, wait and see as the egg cracks. Is it a duck, a chicken, a crocodile, or a ... dinosaur?



We will be using 'Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs' by Ian Whybrow as our text for this topic.

(Please don't tell your child about the dinosaur topic until the egg has hatched.)

How can you help at home?

Please remember to check Class Dojo regularly to enjoy photographs and video clips of your child's activities and learning. It is also possible for you to upload your own photographs of activities you have shared at home.

Please read with your child everyday and record this in their reading record. Keep their reading book in their book bag and ensure it comes to school each day.

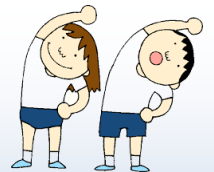
Practise the tricky words by playing games with them and spotting them within the text of books you share together.

Within our Dinosaur topic we will be:

- ◆ Creating a timeline - comparing the dinosaurs' environment and our own.
- ◆ Looking at different dinosaurs - how they lived and what they ate.
- ◆ Measuring and comparing different dinosaurs.
- ◆ Looking at fossils and making fossils out of clay.
- ◆ Writing labels and captions to describe the features of a dinosaur.
- ◆ Finding information about dinosaurs from non-fiction books.

PE

Our PE day is Monday.



In our PE lessons we will be using small apparatus to develop our throwing and catching skills.