



# Vicars Green Primary School

## Curriculum Statement

### EYFS Spring

## Learning Theme: **Dinosaurs and Growing**

### **Communication & Language**

We will be introducing our dinosaur and growing topics by focusing on the key texts 'Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs' and 'Farmer Duck'.

We will build up the children's skills of storytelling and acting out the stories.

The key communication skills we will focus on are clear speech, using full sentences, being aware of the audience and use of our voices and tones.

### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

Building self-confidence and respecting others: Our circle times will involve discussing scenarios based on incidences in our classroom for children to express their ideas on how best to resolve their problems.

Show and tell: Children will be able to bring in items from home related to our topics or present their work to their classmates to encourage children to talk about themselves in positive terms.

### **Physical Development**

Gross Motor Skills:

We will be focussing on developing increasing control over objects in pushing, throwing, bouncing, catching, throwing and kicking.

Fine Motor Skills: We will be developing our fine motor skills by using scissors, different types of pens, tweezers and clay to make our dinosaur fossils and displays.

#### **PE days**

**Butterflies:** Monday and Friday

**Dragonflies:** Monday and Friday  
Please ensure your child has a full PE kit containing an orange t-shirt, green shorts and a pair of plimsolls. Please note that no jewellery such as earrings, chains and strings **are not to be worn on PE days.**

### **Literacy**

We will continue to write about our weekend news, focusing on writing all the sounds in the words.

We will be making dinosaur books and composing dinosaur rhymes. For our Growing topic, we will be writing a bean diary to record how our bean changes over time, and labelling life cycles.

Phonics: We will continue with daily phonics sessions to help with segmenting and blending, reading and writing.

### **Mathematics**

Number:

We will be going on dinosaur hunts and will be focussing on problem solving which will require children to count on, or backwards, to find the answer (introduction to adding and subtracting).

Measurement and Shapes: We will be measuring the size of our beans using non-standard units of measurements. We also revise our 2D shapes and introduce children to common 3D shapes.

### **Understanding the World**

As part of our understanding the world we will have a trip to the local mandir on Ealing Road to increase our awareness of different cultures and beliefs. The Live eggs will be coming to us where children will observe the eggs and watch the life cycle of chicks.

We will be learning about the celebration of Chinese New Year and read stories about it.

Children will continue to practise skills using basic computer software and experiment with the use of Beebots to create simple programmes.

#### **Library**

Please bring your library book every Friday.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

A chance to express our creativity!

We will be dancing and singing dinosaur songs as well as making dinosaur models using different media, including drawing on the interactive whiteboard.

For our growing topic, we will be planting seeds and looking at life cycles. We will also be painting pictures of flowers and creating models using different media.

### **Useful websites**

<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/songs>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=1>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

[Online Phonics Games \(Phase 1\) - PhonicsBloom.com](http://www.phonicsbloom.com)