

Ladybird Learning



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This week we have continued our new topic of 'Dinosaur Roar!'.

We have...

- Become Palaeontologists! Palaeontologists are scientists that find out what life was like on Earth long, long ago. They look for fossils, such as the bones of dinosaurs or mammals and reptiles, teeth, footprints or the imprints of plants and shells. We think it is a really interesting job.
- Looked at pictures of palaeontologists in action and watched video clips to find out more about their role. We then had fun using tools to see if we could uncover any fossils in some very ordinary rocks- what a surprise we had when we found dinosaur skeletons! We used our information books to try and find out which dinosaurs we had uncovered.
- Used our phonic skills to write labels for tools we might need in our new role as palaeontologists.
- Helped collect 'interesting' words for Vocab Viper (our friendly classroom snake!). He loves words that describe things such as 'tempting', 'collapsed', 'constructed'. We thought of words that Vocab Viper might like when describing the different parts of our toy dinosaurs and, after sharing the book 'Dinosaur Roar', we came up with 'long' neck, 'sharp' teeth and 'triangular' plates.
- Used words to compare capacity and mass in our maths sessions. We used a chart to record items we found that were heavier or lighter than an apple, enjoyed a drink in Mrs Horne's café, using the words 'nearly full, half full, nearly empty and empty' to describe how much drink was in our cups. We also worked out which container held the most by carefully counting the number of cubes needed to fill each container to the top.
- Continued in our R.E. lessons, finding out about Jesus and the message he brings. This week we shared the story of Zacchaeus.
- Enjoyed playing on the new climbing frame in the playground. It was great fun and tested our skills of balance, strength and co-ordination!

Home Challenge



The children have been particularly engaged with the topic of dinosaurs and we have been wowed by the knowledge the children already have on the subject!

This week's home challenge is to find out a few more unusual 'dino' facts to share with the class. You may have your own information books about dinosaurs at home or possibly have some on loan from the library. If not, there are plenty of child-friendly internet sites that you can visit. Please remember internet safety first! Always have a grown-up supporting you when using the internet. Choose your favourite fact to share with the class. If you have a printer, feel free to print off the 'My dinosaur fact' sheet attached or why not make your own sheet. When writing your fact, remember to sound out carefully, listening to all sounds and use finger spaces between each word. We want to put your facts on display in class so try to use your best handwriting.

Sites to visit:

Let Andy guide you with some dinosaur facts on the Cbeebies webpage:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/curations/dinosaur-facts>

DKFindOut has some great facts about dinosaurs too:

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/dinosaurs-and-prehistoric-life/dinosaurs/>

Or why not visit the Natural History Museum online:

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/dinosaurs.html>



My dinosaur fact
