

# Ladybird Learning

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This week we have continued with our topic of Dinosaur Roar.  
We have...

- Discovered that some dinosaurs were 'carnivores' (meat eaters) and some were 'herbivores' (plant eaters). Palaeontologists can use the fossils they find to help them work out whether each dinosaur was a meat eater or plant eater, such as the shape of their body and the shape of their teeth. Even fossil poo (coprolites) can help palaeontologists work out what each dinosaur ate!
- Made 'moving' dinosaurs (we chose to create a carnivore or a herbivore). Instead of glue and sellotape, which 'stick' the pieces of card together, we used paper fasteners which join the card together but also allow the pieces to move to create 'chomping' jaws or a neck that reaches up high.
- Played lots of maths games to help us recognise patterns and compositions of 6, 7 and 8 as well as finding '1 more' and '1 less'.
- Shared the rhyming book 'Bumpus Jumpus Dinosaurumpus' before finding pairs of rhyming dinosaur eggs to put in our nest.
- Explored how sounds are made when playing different instruments.
- Learned some Makaton signs for different farmyard animals when singing 'Old MacDonald'.
- Continued with our aiming and throwing skills within our PE sessions.



## Home Challenge



Thank you for all the wonderful dinosaur facts that have come in from last week's home challenge. We have been so impressed with the fabulous writing we have seen. Well done Ladybirds, you should be very proud of yourselves!

Recently, in our maths learning, we have been exploring the mathematical language of weight eg 'heavier than', 'lighter than', 'equal', 'balance', using the balance pan to compare different objects.

The children have shared their experiences of weighing, whether weighing fruits at the supermarket, using weighing scales to find out how heavy they are or using kitchen scales to measure out ingredients for a recipe.

This week we would like you to continue the learning at home. You could find a selection of things at home to compare and order from heaviest to lightest. You could do a bit of baking and weigh out the correct amount of ingredients. You could measure the weight of everyone in your family and have fun comparing your weights to different animals or objects (a search on the internet may be needed here!).

Have fun and let us know what you did.