# Year 2 'What creatures walked the planet 65 million years ago? Spring 1

## Welcome!

We hope you had a fantastic break and are ready for the exciting learning that will be happening this term.

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This half term the story we are reading is 'The Caravan' by Pie Corbett. This is a 'warning' story just like Little Red Riding hood. We will build on previous learning of sentence structure and conjunctions. The children will be introduced to spellings with the suffix 'ed ' and 'lv'. We will learn the story through 'Imitation', then begin to apply this during 'Innovation' and finally write their own story.

### Science

Our unit this term is all about space. We will be asking the question 'What is space?' Children will look at the planets of the solar system, how they orbit the sun and constellations. We will also look at astronauts such as Tim Peake and Helen Sharman.



## **Humanities**



The children will be learning all about dinosaurs over the spring term. We kick off the topic with a dino workshop where the children will be hands-on with some fascinating dinosaur exhibits and genuine dinosaur fossils. We will look at the different periods over the 'Mesozoic era' of dinosaurs existence. The children will explore the different types of dinosaurs and their diets.

#### RE

In RE we will be continuing to answer the focus question 'What is special to faith communities?' Children have previously looked at what is special to the Christian community and will now be looking into what is special to the Islamic community. This will include exploring the objects, stories and places of worship.

#### **PSHCE**

Our focus for this half term is 'being kind'. We will link lessons around the book 'Fill a Bucket' where children will learn about how they can find daily happiness through their actions and how being kind will 'fill a bucket'.

#### Homework

Children will be given weekly spellings and tasks on Sumdog. Please ensure they have time at home to do this. Children should also read their home reader book daily. They need to only read a few pages

each day.



### Art

Our art topic is linked to space this half term. The children will learn about colour and how to

change the tones, as well as drawing using different tools and

surfaces.



We will look into pieces of art from artists such as Picasso and Kandinsky.