

## **Home Learning: Jurassic Jewels Autumn term 2016**

For our topic this term we are looking at the dinosaurs in the pre-historic era. We are also covering our local coast area of the Jurassic coast and the science topic rocks and soils.

Over the next three weeks we would like your child to work on a home-learning project. We have listed some ideas below but do not feel you are confined to these. We are sure your child has plenty more ideas. Their project may be presented in any way they wish. They could produce a piece of art, a series of photographs, a piece of writing, a model or any other ideas you have.

Please do not feel like you have to do all of these ideas but just pick one to do over the next 3 weeks.

### **Research projects**

Find out about one of the different dinosaur ages: Triassic, Jurassic or Cretaceous. What dinosaurs lived in that time, what did they look like?

Find out about how the dinosaurs became extinct. What went wrong?

Focus on one specific dinosaur that you find interesting

How big were the dinosaurs? Were they all really as enormous as we think they are?

Are there any animals around today that are like dinosaurs?

Find out about different kinds of fossils. Which ones have been found on the Jurassic coast?

Write a story about a dinosaur- do some research before you write your story to find out as much as you can

### **History / Science / Geography**

Find out what happens inside a volcano. What makes a volcano erupt?

What happens on our local coast? What kind of rock can we find in our cliffs, what kind of wildlife can you find there?

Research the fossil hunter Mary Anning. What did she find? Why is she so famous?

## **Art and Design**

Make a model or draw a picture of a dinosaur you are really interested in. What are their most prominent features that made them such successful giants

Create a model or draw a picture of a volcano showing all the different parts of a volcano.

Draw a picture of a dinosaur skeleton using interesting materials.

Create a dinosaur footprint- you might even want to do it in chalk outside.

Create a dinosaur or volcano themed board game that helps us to find out about them.

## **Maths**

Make up some dinosaur themed word problems for us to try and solve.

## **ICT**

Take photos for your project

Use the computer to help you to complete your research, use Google to find pictures.

## **Places to Visit / Explore**

Take a trip down to Lyme Regis, Lulworth Cove or some of the other areas of the Jurassic Coast

Natural History Museum in London- Have a look at the huge dinosaur skeleton they have and all the other interesting pre-historic exhibits.

We would like your child to spend 3 weeks on their project. We would like it in on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Please do not bring the home learning in any earlier than this, as we would like the children to spend the full amount of time on it. We really hope you enjoy your first piece of home learning for Year 3 and we cannot wait to see the results.

Miss Colley, Mrs Symons and Mrs Driver