



Preschool Gum Tree Newsletter



We looked at the fossils and made our own dinosaur fossils in clay to take home.



We conducted a volcano eruption experiment to learn how dinosaurs may have become extinct. It was very exciting!

Activities Covered:

Last week, we travelled back in time and learnt about a new topic 'Dinosaurs'. We learnt about the different types of dinosaurs and how they became extinct. We also completed so many fun activities and read different storybooks to enhance our knowledge further.

In **Communication and Language**, we learnt about different dinosaur names and what they look like, followed by a fun handprint of dinosaur artwork.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we learnt about the skeleton and fossil remains of the dinosaurs. We also used white clay to make our fossils in class.

In **Physical Development**, we did a fun dino experiment where we made dinosaur eggs using flour, salt, and water. We also made a dinosaur in an egg craft.

In **Literacy**, we continued revising our sounds and focused on the sounds **h** and **r**. We continued to practice correct formation and identifying them in the environment.

In **Mathematics**, we learnt the number 14 and all its attributes. We also continued with the concept of measuring and focused on measuring weight and capacity. We learnt new terminologies like heavy, light, half full, half empty, full, empty, etc.

On **Thursday**, we had an exciting day being palaeontologist hunting for fossils in different mediums. It felt cold, gooey, soft, and hard! That was not all, we also went hunting for dinosaur eggs around the school.

We had a great week traveling back in the Jurassic era!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we will take a break from our animals' topic series and will learn all about different **sports**. This is only fitting to Qatar National Sports Day. We will focus on different sports people play, teamwork, and we will also practice for the school's sports day.

In **Communication and Language**, we will learn about the different sports around the world. We will watch the story '**Pete the Cat: Play Ball!**'. Then, we will make a baseball craft just like the one in the story.

For **Mathematics**, we will learn the number 15 and all its properties.

In **Literacy**, we will learn the jolly phonics sound /m/. Alongside its action, we will learn its jolly jingle, air-write it, and practice its formation in different mediums before moving on to practice in our workbook.

In **Understanding the World**, we will learn about different sports jerseys for different sporting events, and we will design a jersey.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we will learn about the rewards people receive when competing in sports and make our very own medals using a variety of materials.



We learnt the concept of size and length and arranged ourselves from tallest to shortest.

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We had a blast looking for dinosaur eggs around the school.

Tips for home:

- Read the **weekly newsletter**, so that you keep up to date on what is happening.
- **Drop off and collect** your child promptly each day.
- Provide your child with opportunities to **practice their pencil control**.
- Limit **screen time** to 1 hour per day.

My values draw my identity:

- I am learning, knowledge is light.
- I collaborate with my friends.
- I respect my teachers.
- I keep my class clean.
- I practice my hobbies.
- I eat healthy food.



We practiced our fine motor skills by cutting the egg.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 13th February: National Sports Day

The school will be closed on this day as it will be a public holiday.

Thursday 15th February: Kid'n Around Kindergarten Sports Day

We will be having our Sports Day at the Durham School for Girls. All mummies are welcome to come and cheer on us. Please return the permission slip as soon as possible.



On Thursday, we had fun being paleontologist hunting for fossils in different mediums.

To see more photos of our adventures in learning be sure to visit our [website](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#)

Final Note:

Please ensure that your child wears the school uniform always. This includes the school jacket.
Thank you!