

# Year 2

## Autumn 1 Term

"Should dinosaurs be brought back from

Why?

These incredible and fascinating creatures teach children more about how species come to be, disappear, adapt, and survive. An interest in dinosaurs also helps children understand the earth's timeline and appreciate that amazing things existed long before they did.



### Science

This term, students will learn about living things in their habitats. This will allow them to develop their vocabulary and their understanding of the different animals and plants living in some of the world's most popular habitats. Children will also learn about what animals need to stay alive and about animal offspring.

### Mathematics

Students will start reviewing their prior knowledge on counting and expanding it to 100. We will continue learning how to add and subtract, as well as identifying 2D shapes and their properties. We will start working with data as an introduction to statistics and finish our term understanding and using units of time and calendars.

### Slovak language / SAL

In this period we are very active in developing the fine motor skills of the students by writing preparatory exercises according to a pattern, improving oral expression by telling short stories. Aurally we distinguish syllables in a word, visually letters in a word, analyse vowels in syllables and in a word, determine the number of vowels and syllables.

### Art

We are going to learn about the Visual Elements through fun art and craft activities.

### Music

We are going to learn what is BEAT in music, how to keep a steady beat, and learn some rhythmic patterns using songs about dinosaurs.

### Forest School

We will be focusing on some basic tool use and bushcraft skills. Learning to analyse risk in its most simple form and considering the benefits/consequences of actions.

### PSHE

In PSHE, students will learn about the roles of different people in their lives, and about the relationships they develop with the people in their lives. We will also be setting expectations and routines for this school year.

### Teachers:

Mr Jack – 2JC  
Ms Michaela – 2JC  
Mr Ian – 2IC  
Ms Bianka – 2IC  
Ms Phoebe – 2PD  
Ms Petra – 2PD  
Ms Dorota – 2DS  
Ms Eva – 2DS

### English

Read Write Inc. teaches children sounds in English, the letters that represent them, and how to form the letters when writing. These are the Set 1 Speed Sounds written with one letter:

m a s d t i n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y  
w z x

These are the sounds written with two letters (your child will call these 'special friends').  
sh th ch qu ng nk ck

### Physical Education

In PE this term, we'll begin with baseline fitness testing. Next, we'll introduce a fun fitness routine to encourage regular physical activity. Finally, the curriculum will focus on developing locomotor and manipulative skills.

### Topic/ PBL

This term, our topic unit is dinosaurs. Children will learn about the time periods when dinosaurs were alive, what they ate, what are some of their physical features, as well as why they went extinct.

