



# John of Rolleston Foundation News



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## Teaching and Learning This Week

This week the teaching and learning has been based around the theme '**Let's pretend Dinosaurs**'. The children have listened to and discussed the story *Tyrannosaurus Drip* by Julia Donaldson, written descriptive sentences about a dinosaur, used dried pasta shapes to create dinosaur skeletons and pretended to be an archaeologist excavating dinosaur bones. They have also had the opportunity to engage within other '**Let's pretend Dinosaurs**' themed learning activities.

### Ideas for learning at home

Read fiction and non-fiction books about dinosaurs discussing the difference between the two writing genres.

Visit the Natural History Museum website and explore dinosaurs.

### Outdoor Learning

There will be outdoor learning tomorrow Friday 9 February 2018. Please send your child in outdoor learning clothes and their uniform and shoes to change into.

Thank you ☺

### Twycross Zoo Visit

Thank you to all parents that have paid for the educational visit to Twycross Zoo to date.

Payment is to be made via Parent Pay. Should you encounter any problems please contact the school office and they will be pleased to assist you.

Thank you ☺.

### Morning Procedure after Half Term

As part of transition from foundation to year one, the children will enter through the gate at the front of the Sherborne building (this is the one we dismiss through) after the upcoming half term break.

The gate will be open between 8.50 a.m. and 9.05 a.m. A member of the foundation stage team will be available each morning to support the children.

Please see us with any concerns you may have.

### Recyclable Materials

Next week the children will be making vehicles that travel in space.

We would like it if every child could bring into school 4 suitably sized and shaped boxes to use when creating their space vehicle. We would like these to be in school for Monday 12 February 2018.

### Letters and sounds

**Miss Johnson:** we have learnt the digraphs **oo/oo (short)** as in **moon/look**, **ar** as in **card** and '**or**' as in **ford**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing sentences.

**Mrs Jones:** we have learnt to read and write the digraph **th** as in **with**, **ng** as in **sing**. We have learnt to read the tricky words **we** and **me**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing sentences.

**Mrs Cheshire:** we have learnt to read and write the grapheme **y** as in **yes** and **z** as in **zip**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing words or sentences.

**Mrs Geary:** we have learnt to read and write the grapheme **v** as in **vet** and **w** as in **win**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing words.

### Number Groups

**Mrs Cheshire and Miss Johnson:**

This week we have learnt to partition the number 5. We have looked at doing this practically by placing 5 objects in the whole and partitioning them in different ways. We have then drawn our own part whole models, represented this in a bar model and written number sentences to show our working out.

# WHAT DO PIRATES DO ALL DAY?

Jeffrey Jumper back by popular demand in a  
Magical, Interactive and musical theatre for  
2-6 year olds!

## Quite Remarkable PRODUCTIONS



SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
2.30pm-4pm at Rolleston Club  
Tickets available at Pre-School  
and Rolleston Club  
£5 per person (children to be  
accompanied by an adult)

