#### Topic Web

Our starting interest this half term is **Dinosaurs!** This half term Reception will be learning to . . .

## COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

- Listen to stories
- Listen to each other
- Ask and answer questions
- Follow simple instructions
- Developing vocabulary

Vocabulary: Listen, question, what, who, where, positional language: beside, in front, behind, top, side.

# PERSONAL SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- All about me
- What makes me special
- Me and my special People
- Who can help me?
- My Feelings

Vocabulary: Me, family, special, teacher, police officer, paramedic, happy, sad, excited, frustrated, angry, upset, worried, confused.

## PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Play circle games
- Develop Fine motor control through Dough Disco
- Use pencils correctly
- Learn about brushing teeth.
- Draw pictures

Vocabulary: turn, first, next, squash, point, poke, roll, pencil, grip, press, write, draw

### LITERACY

- Listen to stories
- Handle books carefully
- Write names
- Learn sounds and recognise letter shapes
- Respond to stories
- Develop understanding of the initial sounds in words.
- Find their own name on their peg and drawer.
- Select their own books to enjoy.

Vocabulary: Book, story, page, title, author, illustrations, sound, letter, name, next, first.

#### Dinosaurs!



Other themes may be developed as we follow the children's interests.

#### MATHEMATICS

- Subitising
- Counting objects, sounds and actions
- Using fingers to represent numbers
- Compare amounts more than & fewer than
- Match, sort and compare
- Talk about Measure and Patterns

Vocabulary: Subitise, One, two, three, four, five, count, object, sounds, fingers, compare, more, fewer, match, sort, measure, pattern

#### UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- Talk about people and things that are important to us.
- Discuss families and events in their recent past.
- Where are we? Learn about Whitley Memorial, draw a map of unit/yard
- Talk about what we know
- Observe living things throughout the year.
- Play and explore outside in all seasons and in different weather.

Vocabulary: Family, past, yesterday, Bedlington. Map, place, season, Autumn, change, leaves, colours, cold, rain, map.

#### EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

- Use a variety of construction toys
- Scissor skills
- Painting routines
- Draw a person with all parts of their body.
- Use role play to re-tell simple stories using props or puppets.
- Build stories around toys.

Vocabulary: build, balance, fic, attach connect, scissors, press, head, body, arms, legs, hair, face, ears, re-tell, pretend.

#### CORE VALUE

### Resilience

"It's good to keep trying."

#### RE

- Understanding our core value
- Harvest
- Creation
- We are all God's creations
- Respecting similarities and differences.

Vocabulary: Generosity, harvest, grow, create, design, special, same, different, unique.

### You can help at home by

- Counting objects, looking for and talking about numbers
- Talking about your family
- Sharing stories and reading with your child
- Practising drawing and cutting skills
- Encouraging children to dress and undress independently