



Tormead Prep

Reception Newsletter

THURSDAY 7 MARCH 2024

This week we have continued to enjoy dinosaur related adventures. On Wednesday afternoon we turned the hill in our play area into a volcano, with flowing lava for the dinosaurs to explore. We had an exciting assembly led by Miss Meech on upcoming British Science Week and we started to practise for our own class assembly on... you guessed it, dinosaurs! We also managed to squeeze in a visit to the Scholastic Book Fair and enjoyed a World Book Day Parade with the boys from RGS Prep.

Our Learning

This week we have:

- Looked at words with two or more diagraphs and continued to practise our spelling and handwriting.
- Explored the numbers 9 and 10 using stories such as *Nine Naughty Kittens* and *Cockatoos* by Quentin Blake.
- Made beautiful butterflies for a new display linked to International Women's Day. 
- Finished our 'paper plate dinosaur art' ready for our new classroom display.
- Practised our lines for our class assembly next week and moved like a dinosaur in Drama.

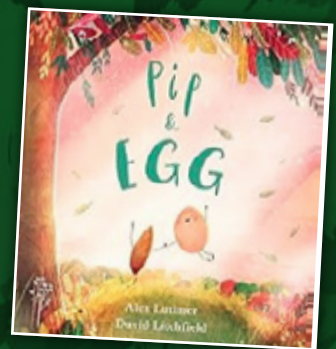
Next week we will:

- Look at longer words and words ending in **-ing**.
- Continue to practise our spelling and handwriting.
- Explore number bonds to 10 using real objects in different contexts and build 10 using two parts.
- Go on a spring walk around the Senior School grounds looking for signs of spring.
- Have an adventure afternoon!



Our books of the week:

Pip and Egg
by Alex Latimer and David Litchfield
- a beautiful, heartfelt story about the power of friendship.



Mad About Dinosaurs!
by Giles Andreae and David Wojtowycz
- a rhyming picture book with fun facts about dinosaurs.

For Your Information

International Women's Day

Tomorrow the girls should wear purple ribbons, hair ties or clips in their hair to symbolise unity and support for women's rights.

Class Assembly

On Tuesday next week we will be doing a class assembly to the whole school on dinosaurs. A copy of your daughter's lines can be found inside her reading record. Please practise at home over the weekend. They need to project their voice so that it can be heard at the back of the hall.

British Science Week

The whole school will be entering a poster competition based on this year's theme *Time*. A winner will be chosen from each year group including Reception. The girls can also enter the Science selfie competition. Further details of both competitions, along with ideas can be found in the British Science Week letter sent out by Miss Meech.

Reception Open Morning

On Tuesday 19 March we will be hosting an open morning for parents/carers to work alongside the girls in their classroom environment, giving you an insight into the learning that takes place in EYFS.

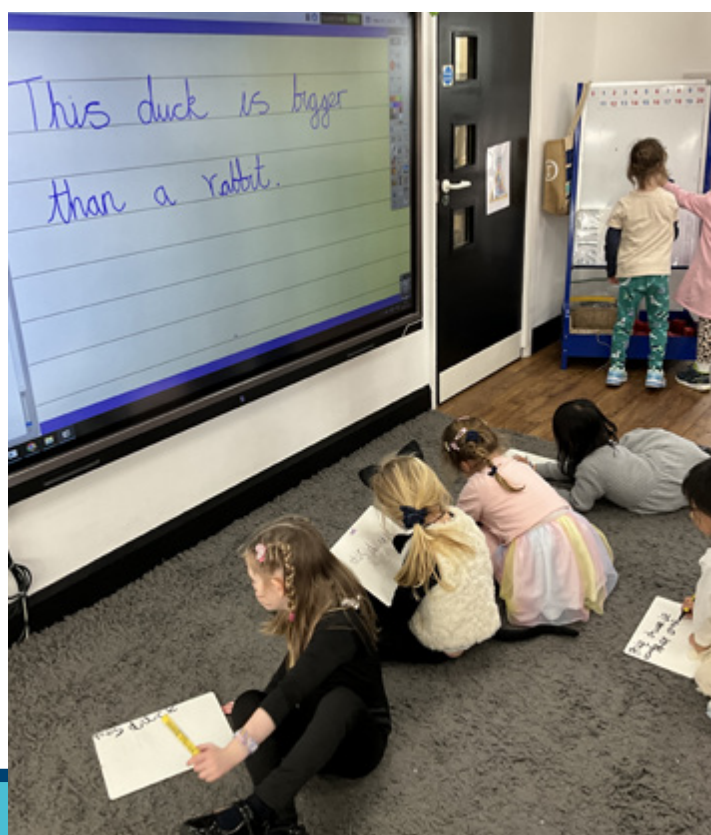
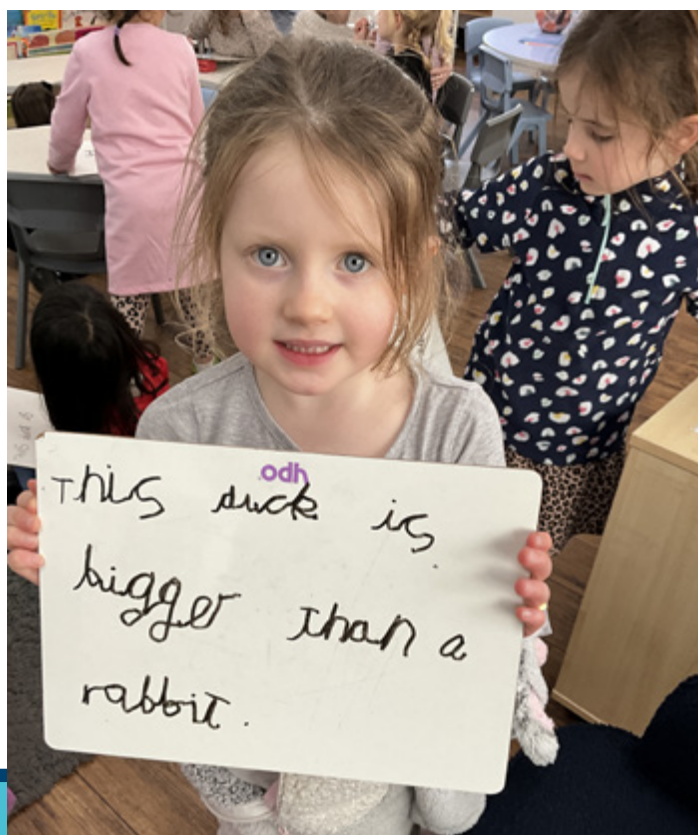
Suggested activities:

- Practise your 'dinosaur lines' for our class assembly next week.
- Make a poster for British Science Week based on the theme *Time*. The deadline for entries is Wednesday 20 March.
- Continue to read and share stories at home, exploring a range of different media - can you spot any words with two or more diagraphs in your books?
- Continue to practise number bonds to 10 e.g. "I say 6, you say 4, I say 7, you say 3".













I wonder what adventures you will have with your family this weekend? Enjoy!