

Our Spring topic is

# PREHISTORIC



## History

Our pupils are going to travel back in time to the Prehistoric age. The children will start by exploring the age of the dinosaurs and comparing the many different species. We will then travel through the prehistoric ages, comparing life of neanderthals to humans in the Stone Age and Iron Age. Children will look at tools and technology and how it has developed over time, including the prehistoric ages.

## Science

We will explore the life cycles of different dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals. We will then compare them to the life cycles of other animals such as reptiles and birds who are directly descended from these prehistoric creatures. We will look at how fossils are formed and how we have used fossils to tell us about life in the prehistoric era.

## Art and DT

Our **Outdoor Learning project** this term will see the children explore the work of different sculptors before getting outside to design and make their own dinosaur sculptures for our very own dinosaur sculpture trail.

## Music

Every child at Helmingham will learn to play the recorder throughout their primary education. As well as this, we will be listening to the Carnival of Animals this term and using this as inspiration to compose music to represent different dinosaurs using percussion instruments.

## Trips

We will travel to Roar Norfolk to explore the Valley of the Dinosaurs, wander through mazes with dinosaurs lurking in the bushes and imagine we are archaeologists digging for fossils.

## The big questions we will answer:

- What happened to the dinosaurs?
- Did humans and dinosaurs coexist?
- How did humans survive without modern technology?
- Do dinosaurs have ancestors still living today?

## Key Texts

These are just some of the wonderful texts we will read and which will inspire our writing:

