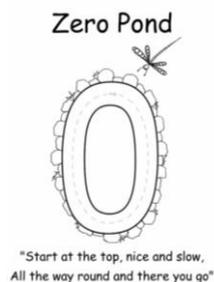


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Dear Parents,

This week the children have been busy learning through the topic of Dinosaurs. The children have really loved this topic and have done lots of wonderful things including: painting Dinosaurs; playing in the Dinosaur land; making fossils with the playdough; drawing pictures of Dinosaurs; creating 2d shape Dinosaurs; counting Dinosaurs; exploring the bones and fossils in the Dinosaur museum and observing the Dinosaur eggs! They also had a very special visitor (Mr Mills in his amazing Dinosaur costume) who helped them to move like Dinosaurs! Next week we will be learning through the story of Jack and the Beanstalk.

We have also been continuing with our Ten Town maths. In order to help the children become secure in their knowledge of numbers we will be revisiting numbers 0-5 this half term. We will be looking at things such as: counting sets with good 1:1 correspondence; counting out sets from a larger set; matching numbers to sets; recognising amounts just by looking at them (this is called subitising) e.g. numicon, dice, counters etc; exploring different ways of making numbers and finding one more/less of numbers. This will ensure children have a deep knowledge and understanding of numbers before moving on. This week we have explored 'zero' and how it means 'none'.



It has also been lovely to welcome some new children into Nursery. They have settled in really well and it has been lovely getting to know them. If your child is a new starter they are in the Starfish group. The Starfish have been busy this week with activities such as: getting to know the Nursery routine; singing counting songs; carrying out action songs about Dinosaurs; reading stories about Dinosaurs as well as carrying out all the different activities within Nursery!

The next Outdoor Explorers session will take place next week (W.C. 13/01/20):  
**Tuesday (14<sup>th</sup>):** Jellyfish and Turtles. **Thursday (16<sup>th</sup>):** Dolphins and Seahorses.

**Please note: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January is the closing date for Reception applications, so please ensure you have applied before this date.**

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Many Thanks,

Miss Griffiths.