



Linked learning theme: Jurassic Coast

Autumn term 1, Year 1

History – Mary Anning

Prior knowledge

In EYFS, children have talked about past events. They have had experience of understanding the past through settings, characters and events encountered in stories.

Core knowledge

- Mary Anning was an English fossil collector, dealer and palaeontologist.
- She lived in the south of England.
- Her brother Joseph helped her find dinosaurs.
- They found the 'ichthyosaurus' meaning fish lizard.
- In 1823, they found the Plesiosaurus skeleton, pterodactyl and coprolites (fossilised poo). She could tell what the dinosaurs ate from their poo.
- Fossils tell us information about the past.

Key skills

- Use historical vocabulary (words and phrases) to describe the passage of time.
- Ask questions to find out facts about dinosaurs like those found by Mary Anning.
- Use different sources to find out about Mary Anning.
- Understand some ways in which we find out about the past.
- To notice changes within their living memory.

Vocabulary

extinct	archaeologist	national	significance
fossil	dinosaur	timeline	
Jurassic Coast	palaeontologist	past	

Learning Outcomes

- I know where the people and events I study fit within a chronological framework.
- I can use words and phrases related to the passing of time.