## **CREATIVE IDEAS FOR DEVELOPING DANCE**

#### **EYFS: DINOSAURS**



Show pictures of dinosaurs - discuss the shapes and how we can make them with our bodies.

As a solo, create a dinosaur shape. Imagine it is in a museum and cannot move.

Then at night, it comes to life, so think about how the dinosaur moves in the jungle.

Tyrannosaurus Rex: big, fast, fierce Stegosaurus: slow, spiky Ammonite: curled, squid-like tentacles Pterosaur: glide, long wings Ankylosaur: slow, large, armoured Coelophysis: two legs, fast hunter

Practise different ways of travelling: children choose their favourite, now put the travel with your dinosaur shape.

### **KS1:MEET AND GREET**



Talk about how we greet people and show them we are friends. Practise some ideas for example :

shake hands wave high five hug

Now walk around the room and when the music stops greet the person nearest to you. Try several times. Try to meet as many people as you can.

Now find a partner and use greeting words. Make your own action phrase.

Work together and make sure that you are both doing the same actions to show togetherness.

# **CREATIVE LINKS TO THE EYFS HOLISTIC CURRICULUM**

### COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

Talk with children about St Francis and his love of animals. Share information about children and their families' pets and children's views on why they are cherished. Encourage children to bring in photos, better still, their actual pets, to be introduced to the class.



**LITERACY** Read *'My best pet'* by Louise Tate describing how Dino the dinosaur shapes up to be a loveable pet.

#### EAD: MUSIC

Collect junk instruments e.g. plastic bucket drums; saucepan lid cymbals, bottle top shakers etc. and form a marching band. Visit <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=E5XpQ10haH8</u> for three short films on making junk sound-makers to augment your collection.

## **CREATIVE LINKS TO THE KS1 CURRICULUM**



#### ART & DESIGN:

Design a stained glass window depicting a saint. Translate this into art work using tissue paper collage on clear tracing/greaseproof paper, shaped like an arched Norman church window. Finish the art work by brushing with dilute PVA glue to add a translucent sheen to the finished piece.

#### LITERACY

Read *'Dogger'* by Shirley Hughes. It's a tale that explores many emotions including dealing with loss, but more importantly showcases the rewards of selflessness and a caring attitude between siblings.





**RE/PHSE:** Talk about the life of Mother Teresa and discuss the caring qualities that she demonstrated. Discuss 'saintliness' or 'goodness' and collect ideas about what this means to children.