



# LIVING WITH DINOSAURS

**AGE RANGE:** EYFS

This activity will encourage motor skills and creativity.

**YOU WILL NEED:** Play dough, paper.

**CURRICULUM LINKS:** See relevant curriculum charts.

## ACTIVITY

Most young children love being creative and making things. They also love moving around and dancing, and this activity combines the two.

Make some dinosaurs out of play dough or Lego. Create a world for them. Talk to the children about what they might have eaten and where they lived. How would it feel to be so big? Distinguish between plant and meat eaters.

Use the images of the dinosaur stamps, and discuss with the children what life might have been like when dinosaurs were alive.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

- Use the play dough mat sheet provided, showing dinosaur footprints. This will help with shape recognition and counting.
- Discuss how large dinosaurs were and how they might have moved about. See if you can find some dinosaur books in your local library.
- Make up a dinosaur dance.
- Ask the children to move around in different ways. A good piece of music to use is The Elephant from Saint- Saens' Carnival of The Animals.
- Make up a simple dinosaur game based on musical statues. Children could move around like dinosaurs and then freeze when the music stops.
- Ask the children to finish drawing the dinosaur on the colouring in sheet provided.

