

Literacy

This term in shared reading we will be reading books set in space. 'The Jigaree', 'Whatever Next', 'How to Catch a Star', 'Beegu' and 'Dan the Flying Man.'

The children will have the opportunity to have a go at writing for real purposes: writing a postcard from the moon, a list of things you would take and labelling space ships and rockets.

Phonics

The children will take part in a phonics lesson everyday for 20 minutes. They will learn a new sound which they need to practise writing at home.

Maths

This term the children will learn how to:

- Recognise numbers to 10 and above.
- Count objects from a larger group
- Compare numbers, finding one or more less than a number
- Find the total number of items in two groups
- Solve problems involving sharing

Physical Development

We will have a PE lesson once a week in the hall. The children will learn how to move across, over and through apparatus in different ways. We will also be using balls and beanbags to throw and catch and play games involving these skills.



Term: Spring 1

Topic: Space

Class: Reception

Teacher: Mrs Goss

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We will be listening to stories from the Bible that demonstrate the belief that Jesus came to rescue people. The children will learn that Christians believe Jesus is special and we will be talking about who is special to us. The children will also attend collective worship on Tuesdays and Fridays with the rest of the school, where they join with singing hymns and hear stories based on a weekly theme.

Topic

Our topic this term is 'Space.' We will be reading stories set in space. The children will use these ideas to make up their own stories set in space and create props to use in their play.

We will be learning about astronauts and what their job is. We will also learn about other super heroes as well as real life heroes. The children will have the chance to create their own superhero character and costume.

Music

The children will have a music lesson each week. We will be learning to sing Nursery Rhymes with actions and instruments.

Technology

The children will have the opportunity to use the ipads and the computers. They will learn how to use simple programmes. We will also be using various other technology including the cooker, microwave and CD player.

Expressive Art and Design

We will be using various junk modelling and materials to create rockets and space ships to take us into space.

We will be looking at how different coloured paint can be mixed together and choosing the colours we need for our designs.

We will be learning songs about space and making up our own stories when playing in the role play area.

Trips / Visitors / Workshops**PE lessons**

PE lessons will be on Tuesdays. The children need to bring in a PE bag with green shorts, a white t-shirt and black plimsolls. They are learning to get changed by themselves before and after these lessons. Please make sure all items of clothing are labelled.

Homework

Homework will be sent home on Thursdays and will need to be returned by the following Tuesday. The home work will be based on the learning we have been doing in class that week.

Reading and Phonics

As well as this, please make sure your child is reading every night and practising the letter sent home that they have

Understanding the World

This term children will be learning about the job of an astronaut.

We will be going on a trip to the **Greenwich Observatory on Tuesday 16th January** to watch a show set in space.

We will be exploring the outdoor environment and looking at changes in the seasons and weather.

Personal, Social**Emotional, development**

The children will be learning how to take turns and share by taking part in group games. We will be talking about how our actions can affect other children's feelings and how we can show sensitivity towards others.