

Out of this World – KS1 Summer term 1

2023-2024

This term the children will be immersed in the exciting world of space travel! We launched our 'Out of this World' topic on Monday 15th April 2024 with the *Operation Moonbase* curriculum day. The children worked together to design a new society on the Moon, including selecting who will be the first citizens, creating an animal that will help people and building a 3D model of the new city.

English:

This half term we will be using the story '*Anansi and his Sons*' to create our own setting descriptions. We will also be writing recounts using '*Man on the Moon*' as inspiration.

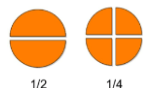


Phonics lessons will take place daily. In Year 1 the children will be revising the **phase 5 sounds**. In Year 2 the children will have their daily spelling sessions. Please remember to login to Spelling Shed using the login in their planner so pupils can practice their weekly spellings before the Quiz each Monday.

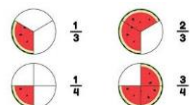
We will continue to carry out 3 adult led reading practice sessions a week. These focus on fluency, prosody and comprehension. Your child will then be taking home their reading book to continue to practice on Fridays.

Maths:

In maths in Y1, we will be learning how to count up in 2s, 5s and 10s and beginning to learn about multiplication by adding together equal groups. We will start looking at the concept of division by sharing things out. We will also look at recognising and finding halves and quarters of shapes and quantities.



In Year 2 we will be learning about fractions. We will be learning to find half, quarters and thirds of shapes and numbers. We will also be learning to write fractions. Later in the term we will be learning about time and to tell the time in 5 minute intervals.



RE:

In RE, we'll be thinking about places that are special to us and how they make us feel. From there, we'll consider different places of worship and why they are special to people of different faiths.

Science:

This term we are focusing on everyday materials and their uses. We will be learning to identify and name materials such as wood, plastic, metal, fabric and glass. We will also be learning about the properties of each material e.g. flexible / rigid, soft/hard, waterproof/absorbent and why these properties are useful.



Thinking and Feeling:

This half term the children will be learning how to make safer choices. They will learn that they have the right to feel safe and how to identify their Early Warning Signs when they are feeling unsafe in a situation. They will practise seeking help from adults in their Network of Support, including when and how to dial 999.



Computing:

This half term we will be using Scratch to learn how to program. We will be using laptops to program a sprite (a rocket) to move around the screen.

Please Remember:

Logins for Spelling Shed (Y2) and Times Tables Rock Stars (Y2) are in the back of your child's planner. Please write in the planner every time you listen to your child read at home.

Art: We are learning about Peter Thorpe and his amazing Space Art. We will be experimenting with printing skills to create our own textured planets, galaxies and rockets. We will combine our favourite techniques for our final piece using collage.

DT: This term we will design and make a model of playground equipment. We will learn different ways to join materials together so that they can stand up by themselves. Please bring in any items of recycling that could be used for junk modelling (boxes, plastic bottles etc.).

Key Dates:

Tuesday 7th May – Class Photos

Tuesday 7th May 5pm – Year 2 Times Tables Rock Stars Q & A

Friday 10th May – Little City Event

Friday 24th May – Science Day

Please contact us with any questions or comments you may have. We will be available at the classroom door each day, or you can contact us via email at your convenience.

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