

Year 1 Learning Letter

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Spring Home Learning

This Term's Projects

Our new project this spring term is 'Out of this World' where we will be learning all about space and exploring the properties of different materials.

We made an amazing discovery on our first day back at school. Something has crash-landed in our Sense Garden! Over the next six weeks we will be investigating and discovering what this might be and where it might have come from. This project will require the children to work scientifically, observing and testing different materials. In other project areas they will be using their amazing imaginations '10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1... come in Houston'

We will keep you posted!

ESSENTIAL each week:

Reading

x3 sessions of up to 10-15 minutes reading the Guided Reading or other book to a grown up.

Maths

x3 sessions of up to 5-10 minutes practising the current maths skills that your teacher has selected for the class on Education City. You already have log-in and password details - need a reminder? ask your child's class teacher.

OPTIONAL to enjoy over the

Spring Term to further support your child's learning and skills. How much time to spend of each task will depend on the activity. A good rule to go by is... enough time to enjoy but not too much time to make learning a chore.

Mathematics

Our focus this term will be applying and extending our maths knowledge. We will be concentrating on multiplicative reasoning, solving one step problems involving multiplication and division. This will involve counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and developing our understanding of the number system. We will also continue to focus on addition and subtraction in number, money and telling the time (o'clock and half past).

We will also be entering the world of fractions! Beginning with halving, we will be learning to share numbers equally. This could involve some home baking!

English

In English, we will be continuing to develop our story writing, starting with the book 'Whatever Next!', the story of a little bear who takes a journey to the moon. As we are becoming more confident writers, we are really focusing on achieving **golden sentences**, using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. We will develop our writing using TISIWIRI (Think it, Say it, Write it, Read it).

In handwriting we will continue to work on accurate and fluent letter formation and be determined to think about our very BEST presentation.

Draw: Draw some Spring flowers. Keep a look out for snowdrops and daffodils, our earliest flowers.

Research: Find out what these words mean: galaxy, Milky Way, satellite, constellation, gravity.

Visit:

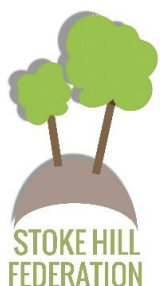
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zkvv4wx/resources/2> to learn all about different planets, including our own very special planet, Earth. There are lots of different films to explore.

Go to: Ashclyst Forest for a walk or down on Exeter Quay side.

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Bring your home learning into class to celebrate ~

Did you know that you can print off certificates from Education City?



*'Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known.'*

*Carl Sagan*



### Last term we .....

- Created and performed the Nativity at Christmas.
- Learnt all about 2D and 3D shapes.
- Thought about our 'mindset' and reminded ourselves of Kelso's choices.
- Went on an exciting trip to the Phoenix Theatre to watch 'Lucy and the Lost Ones'.
- Wrote our own traditional tale.

We have had lots of time of explore and learn too.



## Out and About

As we are enjoying dark evenings, why not try to get outside on a clear night and go constellation spotting? Wrap up warm!

Visit: [www.spacekids.co.uk/learn](http://www.spacekids.co.uk/learn)



*inspire*

~

*discover*

~

*succeed*

## Did you know...?

If you could fly a plane to Pluto, the trip could take more than 800 years!

A baby rabbit is called a kit.

On Chinese New Year 2018 (15<sup>th</sup> February) it will be the year of the dog.

There are more stars in the universe than grains of sand on all the beaches on Earth.

