

Alien Landing

Year 2 - Term 3

English

We will continue to develop our reading, writing and comprehension skills through a variety of stories, poems and information texts. We will be writing our own extended stories, fact sheets, leaflets and postcards using our Space theme as a stimulus. Through this work we will be extending our vocabulary, applying known spelling patterns and working on punctuation. Handwriting and presentation will continue to be a focus and we will develop the correct formation and size to write in a neat joined style. We will be revising the sounds we covered in Terms 1 and 2. This term we will be focussing on suffixes and silent letters and applying these to our own spelling.

RE

We will be learning about the religion of Islam and studying how Muslims live. We will be looking at the similarities and differences between Christianity and Islam, comparing special books, places of worship, stories, celebrations and recognise that different religions have different beliefs.

Mathematics

To further develop and consolidate knowledge of partitioning, addition and subtraction we will be working with numbers to 100 and beyond. We will be continuing to develop our knowledge of multiplication and division and use our knowledge of the number system to solve problems in Maths. Handling data, shapes, measure and time will also be investigated. We will be using coins and discussing how to manage pocket money.

Computing

We will continue to develop our word processing and drawing skills. The children will be using I-pads to research and discover facts about the Solar System. We will use programmable robots to find routes around an imaginary planet.

Art

We will use a variety of media and paint techniques to produce pictures using our topic theme as a stimulus. We will be exploring sculpture techniques by creating 3D planets.

PE

We will be developing our stamina, fitness and co-ordination through learning skills needed to play throwing, catching and scoring games such as basketball. In dance we will use space music as a stimulus for our own dances.

Music

We will be exploring pulse, rhythm, pitch and dynamics through the use of instruments and our own voices.

Geography

We will make simple maps of the Solar System and the journey of Apollo 11. We will also make maps of imaginary planets and use symbols and keys to identify places.

Design and Technology

We will be learning about wheels and axles to design and produce a space vehicle using a variety of materials. We will evaluate our finished product.

You can help your child by...

- * Listening to them read on a regular basis and encouraging them to read a wide variety of texts.
- * Helping them with spellings.
- * Helping them to memorise the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.
- * Asking them to tell you what they have been learning in school and helping them to look for information on the internet and in books.
- * Log in to Purple Mash to access a variety of activities for your child to do at home.
- * Log in to Fitter Future at home and participate in a 'Coalway Blast' fitness routine.

History

We will be looking at The First Moon Landing and learning about the people involved and why it was such an exciting time in the history of Space exploration.

Science

We will be investigating forces in relation to rockets, space and gravity. We will be exploring the solar system and researching moon facts. We will be making balloon rockets to find out how shape and materials affect movement. We will experience deep space through a planetarium visit.

Can you help us?

If you have any interesting artefacts and books relating to our topic and would not mind us borrowing them, please could you send them into school with your child. Thank you.