



P.P.S. Oak Class

April 2019
Summer Term

Blast off!

Before the holidays we spoke as a class about what we would like to learn about after Easter. After sharing ideas and voting, we have decided to learn about Space and Aliens!

English

We will be continuing to ask questions and talk about what we would like to learn about Space. We will then be using non-fiction books to answer our questions, finding out about the planets in our Solar System. We will also explore what stars are and how we could travel into space. We will receive messages from aliens and write letters back to them in response.

Mathematical Development

We will start the term by recapping subtraction, which will include counting back from 20 and working out the number that is 1 less than numbers to 20. We will also be reading and writing subtraction number sentences as we solve problems with moon rocks and stars. We will then explore 3D shapes as we make our own space rockets and moon buggies, naming the shapes and talking about their simple properties.

Understanding the World

As we learn more about the planets in our Solar System, we will be making comparisons between them. We will find out about Earth and talk about how we can help to look after our planet, including recycling and saving electricity.

Expressive Arts and Design

After exploring how we could travel in space, we will be designing our own space vehicles before making these using junk modelling. We will also be working with our friends to dress up and pretend that we are in space; making up our own stories around astronauts and aliens.

Below are a few activities that you might like to do with your child at home, however please feel free to bring in any other learning activities you have carried out with your child.

- Use junk modelling to make your own Solar System or space rocket. What will you need and how will you achieve your end result?
- Draw a space rocket using 2D shapes. What shapes have you used? Can you describe these shapes?
- Go to the library and find stories and information books about Space. What information did you find out? What was your favourite part of the story?

Thank you for continuing to support your child's learning at home, it makes a real difference in their learning journey. It has been fantastic to celebrate so many home challenges in school so please continue to complete these. Some will be able to be completed within a week and others will take longer. If you have any questions about these, please speak to Mrs Fogden or Mrs Gill.