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Welcome back! We hope you all had a great Christmas and are ready for the next half term as we have lots to do! This half term, as well as the activities planned from the children's own learning and interests our theme will be...

## Twinkle, twinkle...

We will base our work on a range of books including Owl Babies (Martin Wadell), Whatever Next (Jill Murphy), How to Catch a Star (Oliver Jeffers) and a range of non-fiction books about 'space'. We will also be finding out about our favourite 'superheroes'!



**In Pre-school activities are of a cross-curricular nature. This half terms activities will include.....**Role play Space Station, making our own rockets, cooking star biscuits and owl nests, role playing superheroes and thinking about their qualities.

We will continue our letter of the week- please check the notice board to see what the letter is. Encourage your child to bring in any objects starting with that letter for our sound box. The children also experience lots of counting activities, counting up to 10 and beyond with a variety of number recognition activities that they can access independently.

**At home...** Please look at the night sky with your children, discuss how the moon changes and the difference between day and night. We recognise the shared role of both home and school in your child's development and would welcome any contributions that you might have for their Home Journals. You are welcome to take it home at anytime and add photographs and other 'magic moments' that you enjoy together as a family.

### **We would be very grateful for the following**

- Please make sure that your child has a change of underwear and socks, in case of accidents, that can be left on your child's peg. All clothes should be named.
- A pair of named wellingtons to keep in Pre-school would also be appreciated for any of our outdoor activities.
- Please supply your child with a named water bottle (water only please rather than juice).

Pre-school starts at 9am. Please could you wait until all Reception children have left the cloakroom before coming in as our cloakroom is very small and can get very congested!

We look forward to working with you and your child in the coming months. If you have any queries please do come in and ask.

The Early Years Team