

Autumn Term 1

Journey through Space

Core Value: Resilience and Creativity

Rationale: (why are we doing it?)

To celebrate the forthcoming 50th anniversary of the first moon landing, we will be taking the children on a journey into space to discover the importance of space exploration. We will be using a range of media to investigate space and to simulate their imaginations.

The Hook: A NASA simulated rocket launch where children will role play being an astronaut.

Authentic Outcome: A virtual reality journey through space.

The main curriculum subjects which focus on the outcome

English -

Factual sentences about the features of space.

A recount of the first moon landing.

Story writing.

History

We will be looking at the life of Neil Armstrong and considering the significance of the first moon landing.

Art and D & T

We will be creating a space scene using felt.

Computing

We will be learning how to log on to the school laptops and then moving on to coding.

The other areas of the curriculum.

Reading Focus -

Using phonics to sound out new words, Discuss stories read.

Spelling & Grammar Focus -

Segmenting and blending for spelling. Letter recognition, correct letter formation, capital letter, full stop, question mark. Spelling Zappers

R.E - Understanding what it means to belong a faith community.

P.E - Dance and attack and defending games. The days for PE in badger class are Tuesdays and Thursdays afternoons

Science - We will be identifying and naming a variety of materials and investigating their properties.

Maths

We will be focusing on these areas in maths this term:

Counting and number to 20 for year 1 children and 100 for year 2 children.

Place Value

Addition and subtraction, within 20 for year 1 children and within 100 for year 2 children

Solving reasoning and problem solving questions.

Recognising and naming the properties of 2-D and 3D shapes.

Home Learning

- **Reading - Please listen to your child read every night, 10 minutes for Year 1 children and 15 minutes every night for Year 2 children. When you read to your child at home, please write the date, pages read and any comments in their contact book. This information is useful for assessing whether a child is ready to change their reading book.**
- **Homework choices given out at the beginning of each term.**
- **Maths Learn Its - Please help your child to learn their Learn Its for this term. Learn Its list to be sent out separately.**