

Year 1 – Autumn 1 2026

Astronauts and Aliens

Through our 'Astronauts and Aliens' topic, children continue to develop their understanding of the world around them. We spark their curiosity with an engaging *Space Day*, before gradually introducing focused teaching across the wider curriculum.

ICT

- E-safety
- Understanding technology
- Mouse skills
- Key board skills

PSHE

- Exploring how families are different
- Considering who beyond my family is important to me
- Keeping myself safe

Maths

- Positional language
- Regrouping numbers
- Subitising
- 1 more 1 less
- Estimating and ordering numbers to 10
- Adding and subtracting

English

- Exploring the texts, Ruby's Worry, The Space Tortoise and look at different types of instructions.
- We recap Phase 2, 3 and 4 phonics followed by introducing some phase 5 sounds

Science

- Parts of the body
- 5 senses and implications that loss of senses can have
- Seasonal change (Autumn)

Geography

- Exploring Earth through google earth
- Making comparisons between our country and others

Art/DT

- Observational drawing
- Collage
- Clay aliens and painting
- Junk model rocket

History

- History of space travel and using the space travelers to create a class timeline in chronological order

R.E

- Exploring what sacred means
- Learning about places that are significant

P.E

- Multiskills – balancing
- Ball skills

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Come and Join the Party

Through our second topic, 'Come and Join the Party' we explore and celebrate a wide variety of traditions and special occasions from around the world. This helps us to develop our understanding and appreciation of the diverse world we live in.

ICT

- To continue learning about e-safety.
- Understanding and selecting different tools appropriately on paint programmes

PSHE

- Exploring how to kindly seek permission
- Understanding how different behaviors make me feel
- Exploring respect

English

- Writing a Firework Night poem focusing on adjectives
- Using the CBeebies clip 'Poppies' to inspire our writing
- Using 'Everybody Counts' to support us writing our own fact-file about ourselves.

Maths

- Number bonds and subtraction facts to 20
- Estimating and ordering number to 20
- Doubling and halving
- Odd and even numbers

Science

- Continuing seasonal change
- Observing the weather

P.E

- Gymnastics
- Ball skills

R.E

- Understanding why Christmas matters to Christians
- Why we celebrate special times

Geography

- Map work
- Identifying countries around the world and exploring how they celebrate birthdays

History

- Explore the significance of Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day.

Art/DT

- Understanding primary and secondary colours
- Selecting colours to represent my mood
- Learning about Frida Khalo and creating a self portrait inspired by her work