

Curriculum Newsletter

MOON ZOOM

Year 1



Religious Education

Our first topic in RE is called 'God's Great Plan.' The children will learn they are precious gifts of God's creation and are special. They will also learn about God's beautiful world and the importance of helping God to look after it.

Literacy

The children will be writing their own news reports and developing their speaking and listening skills as they take on the role of a roving reporter. We will also be predicting the middle and end of science fiction books before we write our own space themed story.

The children will learn and recite a space themed poem called Shooting Star.

Science

In our science lessons we will be investigating everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. Some of these materials may even be retrieved from an alien crash site!

Numeracy

We will be focusing on counting forwards and backwards within ten, forming digits correctly and using maths equipment to help us add two numbers together.

We will name and describe simple 2d and 3d shapes. We will begin to measure and compare length and describe the position of objects.

PE

During PE this half term we are focusing on gymnastics. We will be making body shapes, putting simple sequences together and moving along apparatus to develop our balancing skills.

Art & DT

In art we are using paint and straws to make blow paint alien pictures.

The children will also be using different materials to design and make products, including paper-mache planets.

History & Geography

We will be learning about different astronauts from the past—including some animals that have travelled up into space! We will create timelines by sequencing famous events from space history. We will look at aerial images of Earth and look for different features. We will use symbols to label these features on maps and aerial images.

ICT

ICT will be incorporated into all areas of the curriculum. We will use Internet search engines to carry out research about astronauts and space travel. We will be taking photos and filming our own new reports with the iPads.

Music

We will be creating space sounds using our voices, various instruments and digital software. We will begin to represent sounds with drawings by making a simple musical score using symbols for the sounds made. We will be learning lots of space-themed songs, poems and rhymes.