

Expressive Arts and Design

We will use junk modelling materials to make rockets and will work collaboratively to make a moon play mat. We will use 2D shapes and collage materials to make aliens. They will use construction sets to build a moon buggy.

We will continue to sing a variety of well-known nursery rhymes and songs and perform these throughout the term. Our music will continue to be taught by our music teacher Miss Woodcock. Children will be exploring how to use their bodies to create music and practice keeping in time with the beat. We will be singing songs about Space and learning how to handle different percussion instruments to create Space sounds.

Literacy / Communication and Language Key Texts:

'Whatever next' by Jill Murphy

'On the moon' by Anna Milbourne

'Aliens love underpants' by Claire Freedman

'Astrogirl' by Ken Wilson Max

Non-fiction texts about Space

We will use these stories as a basis for writing and reading. Our focus will be on using our phonic knowledge to sound out simple words. We will encourage the use of capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in their writing.

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Mathematics

Children will continue to develop their subitising and counting skills and explore the composition of numbers within and beyond 5. They will begin to identify when two sets are equal or unequal and connect two equal groups to doubles. They will begin to connect quantities to numerals.

Physical Development

Our PE day is a ???? with Miss Katie our dance teacher.

We will continue with our 'Funky fingers' fine motor control sessions each morning and the children can develop their gross motor skills on the bikes and climbing equipment each afternoon and daily in our outdoors continuous provision.

Reception Spring 1 2026 To Infinity and Beyond



The children's learning this term will be planned around Fergus to Fox being invited by Andy the astronaut to go to the moon. We will follow his adventures in the rocket to the moon.

Important dates

Back to school Tues 6th Jan

Stunning start –Tuesday 6th Jan 2025

School trip to church Wednesday 31st Jan

Fabulous Finish Friday 13th Feb 2025

½ term 16th- 20th Feb 2025

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Our topic is Galilee to Jerusalem. We will be learning about the wise men; why they visited Jesus and what gifts they brought him. We will learn that Jesus welcomes children and takes care of everyone. We will read stories from the bible and understand how we can carry these stories out in our life at home and at school.

RSHE Ten Ten Module 2 Created to Love one another which ties in with our new school mission statement 'Love one another as I have loved you'. John 13-34

Understanding the World

The children will be using books and the internet to find out about astronauts, rockets and the solar system- in particular the moon.

We will learn why astronauts wear spacesuits and what it might be like to be an astronaut. We will learn about Mae Jemison the first African-American woman to go to space.

The Classroom environment:
Space station

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

We will be continuing to use our Just Right language to develop and become aware of their own emotions. We will continue to do our daily track runs, drink lots of water and make healthy food choices. We will continue to encourage independence as we get dressed and undressed for PE each week and putting on and zipping up our coats.