



8A Class Newsletter

Autumn 1

Our Theme

Our theme for Autumn 1 is "To Infinity and Beyond".

Have a look below at how we will be learning all about this across our curriculum!



My Communication

In My Communication we will be focusing on Information Texts, Science Fiction stories and Space Poetry. We will be continuing to practise daily functional words and reading daily. We will also be practising our hand writing across the school day.

We will be practising our communication skills when out on weekly community visits.

We will be working on reading, writing and communication and interaction ALI's across the timetable.



My Thinking and Problem Solving

In My Thinking and Problem Solving we will be learning to develop our number skills, 2D and 3D shapes and properties of shape. In Design Technology we will be working on making our own rockets.

We will be working on number and cognition and learning ALI's across the timetable.



The World about Me

In The World about Me, we will be learning about the earth and beyond and space.

We will be using our ipads to create fact files about earth and space and learning to use technology across the whole of school.



Me and My Body

In Me and My Body, we will be taking part in lots of physical activity across the timetable including sensory regulation, riding bikes and playing on the playground equipment. We will be learning dance and gymnastics throughout the term.

We will be thinking about our mental health and how we can manage our feelings through using the zones of regulation. We will also be focusing on learning about personalised personal care and looking after our hygiene.



My Community

In My Community, we will be growing our independence in travel around the school and local community. We will be learning to walk safely with adults into Chorley town centre and developing our functional skills in café's and parks. We will also be learning about personal care, hygiene and taking care of our clothing.

In RE we will be learning all about the circle of life from birth to passing on.



My Creativity

In My Creativity, we will be exploring the life of an astronaut and learning all about the story of the hidden figures. They will be learning all about these aspects through dance and drama throughout the term.



Things to remember

- ✓ We have PE on a Friday. Please send in PE kits every Thursday.
- ✓ Swimming is on a Tuesday. Please send in swimming kits on Tuesday each week.
- ✓ We will be going on visits to the toy shops on Mondays. Please send in warm coats and appropriate footwear for walking.
- ✓ We will be emailing you when your child has work to be shared on Evidence for Learning to see your child's learning across the curriculum.
- ✓ Parents Evening will take place on 11th October 23. More details to follow.
- ✓ Sharing Our Learning will take place on ...



Key Vocabulary

Astronaut
Planets
Rockets

Here are the **Makaton signs and symbols** to support our key vocabulary -



How can you help at home?

There are lots of ways to support your child's learning at home. Have a look at the suggestions below for some ideas:

- ✓ Reading with your child using the resources provided in their Reading Pack.
- ✓ Using key vocabulary, Makaton signs and symbols when communicating with your child.
- ✓ Incorporating your child's Aspirational Learning Intentions into your routine at home.
- ✓ Showing your child how to play with different toys.
- ✓ Taking your child to the shops where possible, to practice exchanging coins for items.



Home-School Communication

Home-school communication is important to us and helps us to support your child the best that we can.
Here are some different ways to keep in touch...

- ✓ Writing in the home-school diary
- ✓ Emailing me at robertsonz@astleypark.lancs.sch.uk
- ✓ Coming into school for parents evening (or attending via TEAMS) and sharing our learning sessions when possible
- ✓ Commenting on your child's Evidence for Learning posts