



Moonstone



Class



Autumn

2

Two



Blast



Off!



Welcome back, hope you had a wonderful autumn break!

This term we will be exploring the theme of 'Blast Off!', learning all about our solar system, the history of space travel and looking at the lives of some famous astronauts in World Learning. To support this topic, we will be looking at the stories of 'Beegu' and 'Aliens Love Underpants' in Literacy and we will be exploring Everyday Materials and Objects in Science. In our PSHE learning, we will be focusing on Health and Wellbeing and looking at different healthy habits that can support us everyday.

**Our Star Words are:**

- space
- Earth
- Sun
- Moon
- planets
- rocket
- astronaut
- galaxy
- constellation
- Space Station
- stars
- atmosphere
- universe
- construction
- space race
- government



**Key dates for Autumn 2:**

- Class Trip to the Science Museum is the 10/12/24
- End of Term Friday 20th December

**You can support your child's learning at home by:**  
 Completing weekly Homework Sheets  
 Doing a sensory activity once a week with your child (*ideas are given in your child's Homework Book*)  
 Reading with your child each day  
 Talking to your child about the world around them and encourage their exploration

**In Literacy we will be:**

- Learning Phase 2 phonemes and practising segmenting and blending CVC words.
- Learning Phase 3 phonemes (digraphs and trigraphs) and blending CVC, CVCC and CCVC words.
- Continue to use our phonics knowledge to write either initial sounds, simple words or short sentences.
- Focussing on tracing, copying or forming letters correctly.
- Listening, engaging and responding to storytelling

**In Maths we will be exploring:**

- Adding together and adding more within 20
- Finding doubles
- Subtraction and how to take away
- Fact Families
- Missing Number Problems
- Groups of Tens and Ones
- How to partition into tens and ones

**In World Learning we will be:**

- Exploring and sequencing the timeline of space travel in human history
- Exploring and identifying our planets within the solar system
- Exploring the differences and similarities between space equipment from 2024 and from the past
- Exploring and identifying famous astronauts from around the world, like Mae Jemison

**In RE we will be:**

Exploring Celebrations - looking at what a celebration is, what it might look like for different communities, what festivals look like and key festivals celebrated around the Winter time.

**In PSHE we will be exploring healthy habits:**

- How to keep clean and healthy
- How eat healthily and explore new
- How to stay active and it's importance
- How to rest and sleep well and it's importance

**We will also keep exploring:**

- The Zones of Regulation, our emotions and classroom expectations

**In Science we will be exploring Everyday Objects and Materials:**

- Exploring how to identify and name them
- Exploring the different physical properties
- Exploring how to group and sort different objects and materials
- Exploring how to distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made

**In Physical Education we will be:**

- Building upon our flexibility and strength skills by focusing on gymnastics

**In Computing we will be:**

- Exploring how to programme robots to follow instructions
- Exploring how to use computers safely and carefully

**In Art, Design and Technology we will be:**

- Exploring 3D forms, what they are and how something becomes a sculpture. We will explore with a range of malleable media and construct with different natural and man-made materials.
- Exploring different artwork that focuses on the use of 3D forms from a variety of artists such as, Marc Quinn, Michelle Reader, Barbara Hepworth and many others.