



# Seven Stars Primary School

## Rockets Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn term 2021

It is lovely to see all our children in school and ready for an exciting term. A big warm welcome to our new starters in the Rockets class. The children are already enjoying exploring all the new areas, selecting resources to use within their play and making new friends. Our theme for this term is 'Helping hands'. We will be finding out what the word help means, how we can help others and who helps us. We are looking forward to getting to know everyone, sharing with you our successes and celebrating our achievements.

*The Superstars Foundation Team*

### Stay and play sessions

Please keep an eye on Class Dojo for information on a phonics workshop and stay and play sessions.

### P.E

On Wednesday, Rockets Class will have a PE lesson based on fundamental movement. In the Early years, we focus on 5 fundamental skills. These are running, jumping, hopping, skipping, kicking and rolling a ball. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. We will send PE kits home at the end of each half term. Please ensure that your child is not wearing earrings on a Wednesday.

### HELPING AT HOME

Rockets Class have all been given a reading book. Please try to read a few pages with your child every night. We will change reading books every Thursday.

Top tips for reading at home:

- Find a quiet and comfortable spot.
- Look at the front cover and read the title to your child.
- Encourage your child to look at each picture.
- Give your child time to discuss or talk about what is happening on the pictures.

Please keep an eye on Dojo for updates on reading at home, phonics, and letter and number formation.

### Literacy

During literacy sessions we will be reading and retelling stories such as The Little Red Hen, The Enormous Turnip, The Smartest Giant in Town and Sharing a Shell. We are beginning to write labels for pictures linked to our stories.

### Mathematics

Developing a strong grounding in number is essential so that all children develop the necessary building blocks to excel mathematically. This half term we have introduced Number land. Number land is the place where numbers live. Each number is introduced and explored in different ways through a variety of questions and tasks.

### TOPIC

This half term, we are focusing on the topic of 'Helping hands'. We have been learning about paramedics, doctors, nurses and farmers. We have had a visit from an ambulance. After half term, we will learn about police officers, fire fighters and think about other people such as mountain rescue and RNLI.