

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Thinking about things that we are good at and things that we might want to learn or improve upon
- Making sure we keep to the school rules and routines
- Forming good friendships
- Christmas- Nativity Story, Christingle, Christmas carol service, Christmas performance

Mathematics

Nursery

- Counting on and back – blast off numbers
- Singing number songs and rhymes
- Sorting
- Number recognition
- Shape 2D and 3D

Reception

- Recognising and using numbers above 10 –focussing on ‘teen’ numbers
- Finding one more or one less than a given number
- Finding the total number of objects in two groups by counting them all together (simple addition)
- Continuing to develop positional language above, next to, on top of, behind, under etc

Communication, Language and Literacy

- Phonics - Phonological awareness games and activities - Read Write Inc Daily sessions
- Information texts – space
- Stories with a space theme
- Developing new vocabulary linked to this half term’s topic
- Songs and rhymes linked to topic
- Name Writing -Finding our name cards independently and writing our own names
- Big Write - Rocket crash
- Listen attentively in group times and play
- Weekly handwriting sessions to improve pencil grip and letter formation

Understanding of the World

- Computing-Using a simple computer program independently
- Using the listening centre
- Small world space
- History of space travel
- Solar system
- Neil Armstrong / Tim Peake
- RE Christmas -
- Talking about different festivals and celebrations that people around the world are celebrating at this time of the year



To Infinity and Beyond

Autumn 2

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Physical Development

- Fine motor skill activities such as: using child friendly tweezers to pick up and sort objects; mastering buttons and zips; threading and lacing; scissor skills
- Holding our pencils using a pincer grip
- Continuing our weekly PE sessions– dance using different equipment and resources, developing gross motor skills, listening to and following instructions
- Weekly Swimming lessons – dressing and undressing ourselves
- Continuous access to our outside areas

Expressive Arts and Design Development

- Investigation Station
- Junk model Space Rockets 2D &3D
- Junk Model Aliens/Astronaut Oxygen masks
- Develop Role play areas
- Design and make space buggies
- Exploring musical instruments
- Cutting and sticking Alien Masks
- Painting textured planets
- Playdough
- Cookery activities Astronaut food
- Practising and rehearsing for our Christmas performance!



How can you help your child at home?

Continue to encourage independence and allow children to put on their own shoes, coats, hats and gloves. Utilise opportunities to learn numbers when at home or out – Can you spot numbers to ten/twenty in the environment. Encourage name writing at every opportunity.