

Moon Zoom

Autumn Term 2 newsletter for parents/carers of children in Year 1



We hope that this newsletter gives you a clear idea of the work we will be doing this half term. If you have any questions please feel free to ask us any night after school.

English/Read Write Inc.



The children will continue to develop their reading and writing skills within our daily Read Write Inc. sessions where they will be reminded to use 'Fred fingers' to spell unfamiliar words and to check their writing for finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. Children will also be encouraged to add interest to their writing through use of 'power words' (adjectives).

Maths

The children will be covering topics including addition and subtraction, place value, money and fractions. The children will be encouraged to add and subtract 1 digit and 2 digit numbers and record their own number sentences using +, - and =. The children will also be encouraged to use this knowledge to help them solve one step problems. They will practise counting daily, forwards and backwards to 100, a skill that they can practise with you at home. We also encourage the children to count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

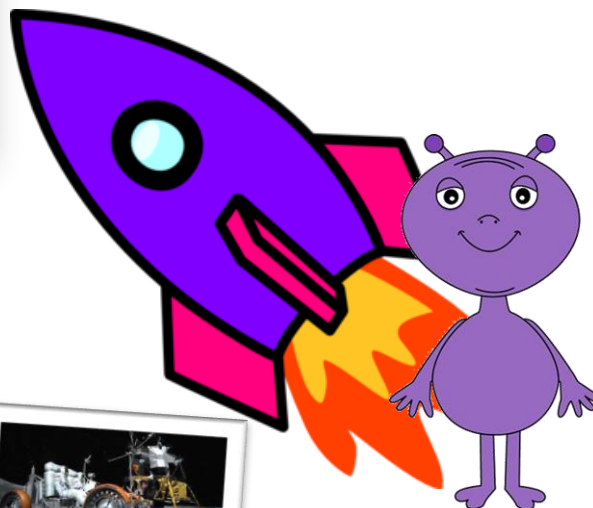
Homework

Maths homework will be set every week. Children should also choose one activity from the menu they have been given to complete each week and return to school by the following Wednesday. Please support and encourage children in completing their homework. If you have any questions – please see your child's class teacher.



Computing

The children will be working on using a word bank to create a report about aliens and use the keyboard to enter text. They will also use 2go to program a rocket around the solar system by using the correct instructions.



Creative Curriculum

Our topic this half term is “ Moon Zoom” The children will be learning about famous people such as Neil Armstrong and what he was famous for. They will be learning about important events in space history and developing their own designs for making a space buggy.

The children will complete their own research into the planets that make up the solar system using a variety of sources

Reading

Children will participate in weekly guided reading sessions where we continue to encourage the children to identify sight words within the text and also to use a variety of strategies to read new words including re-reading, reading on, using the pictures etc. Please support your child by reading everyday with them at home.

PE

Children participate in daily ‘Cyber Coach’ sessions at the beginning of each day. Children will be learning how to move with control and confidence in gymnastics sessions this half term. Our PE day is Monday. **Please remember** that children should have a PE kit including shorts and T-shirt in a named bag. This should be available in school at all times. Earrings must be removed.



Science

Our science work this half term will carry on the focus on ‘materials’. The children will investigate what different objects are made out of and to sort these objects based on the properties of the materials. We will also complete an investigation about balloon rockets – which one travels the furthest and begin to record our results in a table.

Dates for your diary:

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Monday 30th October – Friday 22nd December

Christmas production and party dates will follow.

RE

The children will be comparing the Jewish celebration of Hanukkah to their own preparations for Christmas. We will read and discuss the Christmas story and identify key parts of the story.

