

## Topic

Our topic this half term will be Space Explorers. We will be:

- Investigating a timeline of space exploration
- Look at the planets in our solar system with a focus on Mars and the Mars Mission.
- Look at some of the astronauts past and present who have been to space.
- Investigate moon buggies

## English

We will be looking at the book Toys in Space by Mini Grey and using it to:

- Write a list of what to take to space
- To write an adventure space story based on Toys in Space.

Developing:

- Leaving spaces between words
- Sounding out words when spelling
- Punctuating sentences using a capital letter and a full stop
- Using a capital letter for I and names
- Joining words and clauses with and...because

## Date of Exit Task:TBC

### Stay and Learn

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 8:45am

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 8:45am

**Visit:** TBC

Learning in Malala Class  
Autumn Term 2018  
**Topic: Space Exploration**

## Reading, Phonics and Spelling

We will be revisiting phase 3 and 4 sounds learnt while introducing new vocabulary.

Please could you aim to read with your child 3 times a week and books should be brought back to school every day.

We will also be looking at spelling the days of week this half term.

## E.g Art & Design

- To use a range of materials to design and make a space vehicle
- To develop a wide range of art and design techniques to create space art

## Science

Science will be linked to our topic. We will:

- Look at what objects are made from
- Name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock
- Describe the properties of a variety of everyday materials e.g. hard, strong, shiny
- Compare and group together everyday materials

Using our new materials knowledge to then design something for space.

## **Other Subjects**

### **R.E**

In R.E this term we will be looking at what God is like using the story of the lost son. We will investigate this through art, discussion, music and writing. Towards December, we will begin to look at Christmas and why it matters to Christians.

### **Computing**

In computing this term we will be looking at the use of rules and instructions (algorithms) in making things happen when we use our technology. The children will be making characters move in their apps and understanding how to solve problems (debug) with their instructions.

### **Maths**

This half term we will be covering place value and addition and subtraction using numbers to 10. This will be covered using equipment and physical resources with an emphasis on understanding numbers in all forms.

Each day we will be having a maths meeting in order to practice our number bonds, number facts and counting. Please take any opportunity you can to count with your child and practice these facts.

### **P.E.**

This half term we will be doing dance and it will be linked to our space theme. Dance will be on Wednesdays in the hall so please have your P.E kits ready.

## **Other class news**

As we have our outdoor learning area open as much as possible could you please make sure children have their coats in school as the weather is a little unpredictable at the moment.

Thank you for all your support.

Mrs Taylor, Miss Denley and Mrs Faletas