



Curriculum Information



Autumn 1 Year 1



Our topic this half term is 'Space'.

CRASH! What's that in the school grounds? Let's go outside and take a look. Stand back everyone – it looks like a UFO has crash landed. Find out who might have landed by exploring the craft and investigating scattered scientific specimens. Would you like to be an astronaut? We will make a rocket zoom towards space. How far will it travel? Will it land back onto our playground? Find out the names of the planets. There's Mercury, Neptune, Mars and – do you know any others? I've forgotten the rest. We will visit the moon and describe what we can see there? Will we meet an alien? What will it look like? Can we help get it home to its family? Are you ready for take-off Year 1? Hold tight. 5, 4, 3, 2, 1... BLAST OFF!

As writers, we will be writing creative descriptions, a recount, poetry and non-fiction texts.

As readers, we will read a number of space books – Whatever Next, Beegu, Space Poems, Here Come the Aliens and Lift-the-flap Questions and Answers about Space. We will also be exposed to a range of books during our guided reading sessions.

In Maths, we will explore numbers within 10. This will include representing numbers, finding 1 more and 1 less, doubling and halving and exploring addition and subtraction. We will also be identifying and classifying 2D and 3D shapes, investigating repeated patterns and using and following instructional and positional language.

In Science, we will find out about materials and their properties.

In Art, we will be looking at some of the work created by Van Gogh and be creating our own 'Starry Night' masterpieces using some of the techniques taught.

In Computing, we will be identifying uses of ICT within school, taking photographs on an iPad and exploring how they can be altered or edited using apps. We will be creating a moving image, with sound, using 'Chatterpix'.

In Design and Technology, we will be making our own pitta breads.

In Geography, we will be exploring the location of the equator and the North and South Poles and investigating the temperature of countries located near to the equator.

In Music, we will identify high and low pitches and keep a steady beat.

In PSHE, we will learn about protective behaviours, health and well-being.

In PE, we will take part in dance and team games.

In RE, we will learn about Christianity and the creation story.