

## Year 1 Spring 1 Newsletter

### Must bring to school:

- Reading folder
- Home learning diary
- School bag
- Winter Coat
- Water bottle

### Topic

Our new topic is, "Is Anybody Out There?" and is all about Space!

Traits: hope, healthy body, healthy mind, teamwork and judgement

### Homework

- Reading every day! Please sign your child's reading diary so we know they have read.

- Numbots
- Letterjoin

If you need a new login, please message on Dojo.

### Important dates

18th January - Homework parents meeting

23rd January - Trip to the Science Museum

1st February - Class assembly

6th February - Safer Internet Day

If you have any questions please message Stef or Claire on Dojo.

Children need to be in school by 8:45am each morning. This is when we register.

### Personal, Social, Character Development

In PSCD, we will be continuing to discuss how to regulate our emotions and how to identify our triggers. Our traits this term are: hope, healthy body, healthy mind, teamwork and judgement. For BLP, we will be learning to be Curious Cats by asking questions about space using 'who, what, when, where and why'.

### History, Geography & Social Understanding

**History** - We will be discussing the moon landings and talking about key historical figures such as Mae Jemison and Neil Armstrong. We will be making timelines of key events.

**Geography** - We will be learning about the weather and looking at climates around the world.

**RE** - We are learning about the question "What does it mean to belong?" and will discuss the different groups that everyone belongs to.

### Computing

In computing this term we will be focusing on using Chromebooks and will start using the keyboard to type. We will also be using Kiddle and Youtube Kids to conduct our own research about space and will be learning how to stay safe on the internet for Online Safety Day.

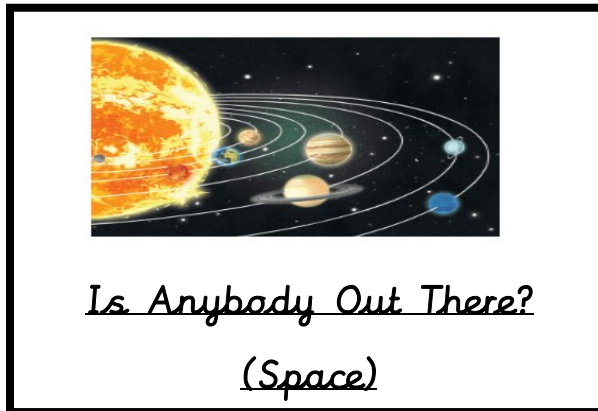
### Understanding Physical Health

PE this term will be focusing on Multiskills and Gymnastics. PE this term is every Thursday and Friday.

### Understanding the Arts

In art, we will be learning about primary colours and colour mixing and create art inspired by space. We always welcome junk modelling donations!

In music, we will be learning about rhythm, tempo and pitch through singing and exploring instruments.



### Science and Technological Understanding

Our focus for Science this term will be the seasons as well as learning lots of facts about space. We will be using key vocabulary such as: planet, orbit, solar system, planet names, gravity, astronaut, galaxy and satellite. We will also look at different sources of light and investigating how light travels. We will go on a trip to visit the Science Museum and take part in a Space Workshop. We will then show our knowledge of space in a Year 1 assembly.

### Understanding English, Communication & Language

**Reading** - Children will be reading 1:1 with their teachers weekly. Please ensure that you are also doing lots of reading at home and signing the diary as much as possible.

**Please bring Reading folders to school every day.**

**Phonics** - The children will be writing multiple sentences that use Phase 4 blends such as 'tr' and 'mp' E.g. 'The chimp did tricks with a chimpanzee'

**Writing** - In school, we will be building up to writing a fact file about space.

Remember to first say your sentences, then listen to the sounds in each word before writing.

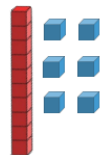
### Mathematical Understanding

#### Measures

We will also be ordering the times of the day and using time language such as today, yesterday, week, month, and year.

#### Number and Calculation

In number sessions we will be looking at place value to 20. We will be practising addition and subtraction within 20.



Children need to be secure in their number bonds to 10 to then apply this knowledge to number bonds to 20.

**Please practise number bonds to 10 and number recognition and formation to 20.**