

Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely Christmas break! All the children looked very refreshed which is great as we have a busy term of learning and activities ahead of us!

Thank you to all of those parents who have contributed to their child's learning by uploading an observation onto Tapestry or completed an 'Owl Tummy'. Please send them in once completed. The children have really enjoyed sharing their achievements with us! Additional 'Owl Tummies' are available; please ask if you need any more tummies or guidance.

Learning at home

Please ensure that you continue to read with your child at home, **every day** if possible and record this in their reading diary. Reading five times during the week ensures that children are entered into the Reading Raffle and get a chance to win a prize. If you have any questions regarding reading please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Weekly Newsletter

Each Friday (from 17.1.2020) we will be sending home a weekly newsletter to update you about the children's learning for the following week. On the reverse of the newsletter you will find 'Learning at Home Opportunities' to complete and return to school.

Topic

This half term's theme is '**Out of this World**' The children's learning will be based around the books Peace at Last, Man on the Moon, Alien's Love Underpants and non-fiction information books about Chinese New Year. Children will be learning about the traditions of Chinese New Year, The First Moon Landing and life in space. They will be taught the names of the planets and about life as an astronaut.

P.E

P.E. is held on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. If your child has pierced ears please remove the earrings as staff are not permitted to remove them from your child's ears. Please ensure that long hair is tied up.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Moulam, Mrs McClean, Ms Wilde and Ms Forscutt

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Communication and Language (listening and attention, understanding, speaking)

Each morning we will continue to discuss the days of the week, the weather and share news. The children will continue to sit quietly during whole class and smaller group led activities. The children will be given the chance to listen and respond to ideas expressed by other and ask questions. In their role play, the children will use talk to imagine and recreate different roles.



Mathematics (number, shape and space)

Children will be introduced to zero as they further develop their knowledge of place value. They will begin to explore numbers bonds to five such as 2+3 and 4+1. The children will explore counting to 10 forwards and backwards. They will use their growing mathematical knowledge to compare sets of objects to 10. Throughout this half term children will be given lots of opportunities to explore practical resources to support their mathematical understanding and help to reinforce the new vocabulary being taught to them.



Understanding the World (People and Communities, World, Technology)

Children will learn the names of the different planets, what it is like to be an astronaut and what the moon is like. The children will explore ICT using different software and programmable robots during this half term. The children will learn about the traditions of Chinese New Year and Pancake Day.



Physical Development (moving and handling/ health and self-care)

This term Owlets will be focusing on throwing and catching a ball safely. Through partner work they will develop more control when throwing and catching. Children will continue to develop their gross and fine motor skills in their everyday play and when cutting, writing and when creating art work. The children will continue to have access to the outdoor play equipment to develop their gross motor skills.

Mind Map

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Expressive Arts and Design (Exploring Media and Materials and Being Imaginative)

Using different media and materials children will explore colour and shape. They will make junk model rockets, collage planets and aliens.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development (Self-confidence and self-awareness, managing relationships, managing feelings and behaviour)

Children will continue to think about our class room rules and building upon the friendships within the class. They will be focusing on upon their own actions and the feelings of other children. The children will get the opportunity to reflect upon the journey they have to go to achieve a target and learn to

Literacy (writing, reading and phonics)



Writing

Children will focus on how we form sentences when writing using a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop at the end. The children will be encouraged to form their letters correctly and neatly. The children will explore writing, instructions, explanations, creating their own non-fiction books, explanations, letters, rhyme and alliteration.



Reading

Children will take part in individual and guided reading with the teacher or teaching assistant. As a whole class we will be reading lots of stories together, some that link into our topic and others for enjoyment.



Phonics

In our daily phonics lessons the children will continue to learn new sounds and practise segmenting to read and to spell new words. See the weekly newsletter for more information.

Religious Education

In our R.E lessons we will be exploring 'What times and stories are special and why?' The children will explore stories from Christianity, Islam and Judaism this half term.