

Year One Newsletter

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to you all.

We hope you have all had a peaceful Christmas. This half term our Learning Focus is Space. The children have already shown enthusiasm and eagerness to share what they know and find out more. If you feel that you could contribute in any to this theme then please speak to your child's teacher.

Mathematics

This half term we will be building on what the children have learned from the Autumn Term. We will be exploring numbers to 20 and beyond, developing a greater understanding of place value and addition and subtraction.

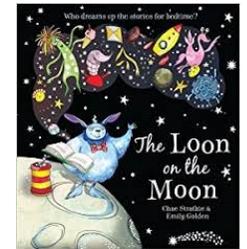
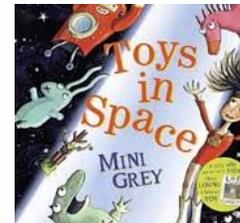
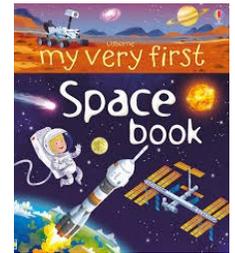


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Children will be considering what is fair and just. Children will be relating their own experiences to stories from the Bible.

English

Linking with our theme of space, we will be using a range of story books about what life might be like there. Children will also have the opportunity to explore information books to gather facts about space and to help them to imagine what it would be like to go there.



PE Thank you for returning all of the PE kits. This term children will have PE on a Tuesday afternoon and a Wednesday morning.

Science



Through-out the term we will be observing the weather and seasonal changes that we can see occurring. We will also be working scientifically to find out what happens when different liquids are mixed and describing their reactions. We have started with finding out what happens when different things are mixed with water.



Reading Books

Please could all books be returned to children's book bags after they have been read at home. Some children are reading daily at school and it really helps if they have their books available. Could we also ask that any school books that are at home are returned as many are part of a larger pack.

Design and Technology

We will be designing, making and evaluating a rocket. Children will have the opportunity to explore the features that a rocket needs and then opportunity to create their own. Children will be encouraged to explain their choices and consider how successful they have been.



Art and Design

Children will have the opportunity to find out about and recreate art in the style of Peter Thorpe.

Children will explore different techniques to create space art.



History

We will be finding out about famous astronauts Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake. We will explore how life as an astronaut has changed over the years.



Computing

This half term we will be exploring how to use our iPads to explore technology. We will be learning lots of skills that will help us to use technology purposefully.

Music

Children will be learning about different styles of music each week. The six styles are Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk and Funk. Children will learn a song in each style, perform to an audience and find out what makes each style unique.

We are really pleased to be welcoming two teachers in training to Year One for the Spring Term. Mr Lee Smith will be working in 1R and Mr Oliver Key will be in 1Y. They will both be working alongside the adults in each classroom.

With thanks from the Year One Team.