

Term	Spring term 2
Class Year group	Nursery
Topic	Out of this World!
Overview of topic	This half term our learning will be based around Space. We will be learning about the world we live in and around us. We will learn about astronauts going into space, rockets, planets and aliens. We will use our imagination what space is like when the planetarium visits our school.
Communication and Language focus	We will be doing lots of talking about famous astronauts and what space is like. We will be using our imagination in our play to pretend to fly a rocket in to space, talking about what planets we will see. We will make up alien creatures. We will listen to space stories, rhymes and poems.
Physical Development focus	We will be trying hard to be independent around nursery, by helping to put our coats on and taking them off. We will try to use the toilet and wash our hands by ourselves. We will explore outdoors by running, jumping, climbing and moving in different ways. We will take part in Jungle journey to help build our core strength and write dance to develop our gross motor skills.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development focus	We will continue to develop using the areas of continuous provision and support the children to be independent at making choices of what they would like to play with. We will continue to build on our nursery routines and relationships. We will work together taking turns and sharing space resources in our play.
Other learning	As part of our learning about 'Out of this world' we will be designing and making rockets. We will investigate ways to make them fly. We will explore different textures when making planets for our class solar system. We will make aliens using different resources. We will have opportunities to develop number and shape through space play.
Things to do at home	At the start of every term we send home a mind map showing learning the children will take part in. We love to hear about what you have been doing with your children at home and welcome your child to bring in any learning / photographs that support our learning. Speaking and listening to your children is so important and our mind maps can be used to prompt discussions about what we have been doing at nursery this week. Singing and sharing stories together is also a valuable experience you can share with your child.