



# Foundation Stage 2 Newsletter



## Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be focussing on planning our activities taking in to account our friends' ideas and resolving any conflicts that arise. We will also be continuing to build our resilience and take on challenges.

## Physical Development

Children will continue to focus on fine motor skills, especially accurate letter formation that sits on the line, as well as developing their gross motor skills in PE. Our weekly P.E. lessons will be on a **Monday**. Please send named P.E. kit in a bag, children will need plain black shorts/jogging bottoms, a plain white T-shirt and plimsolls or trainers.

## Communication and Language

We will be focussing on listening carefully to our friends and responding appropriately with additional comments and questions. We will specifically be trying to use I agree because and I disagree because...

## Understanding of the World

We will be thinking about space, learning about our solar system and the planets in it. We will also be thinking about what it would be like to go to space and be an astronaut. Finally, we will be discussing if we think aliens exist and what they might look like.

**After discussing with the children  
what they would like to learn  
about next, we have decided our  
Summer 1 project is going to be**

**space**

### Space

### Vocabulary

space, galaxy, solar system, orbit, revolve,  
sun, moon, satellite, gravity, space ship  
rocket, star, planet, astronaut, comet

Mercury, Venus, Earth,

Mars, Jupiter, Saturn,

Uranus Neptune

## Literacy

We will continue to learn new sounds in phonics and apply these to read and write simple words and sentences. We will be looking at a variety of information books about space and our main story for the term will be 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy. We will be learning to retell the story as well as enjoying lots of literacy activities about it.

## Maths

This half term we will be thinking about numbers beyond 10, spatial awareness and addition and subtraction with numbers to 10.

## Expressive Arts & Design

We will have a focus on planning what we are going to create before starting and improving it when it is finished.

## Summer 1 Home Learning Ideas

1. Use the internet or non-fiction books to find facts about space and the different planets in our solar system.
2. Draw what you think an alien might look like.
3. Go outside when it is dark, or look out of the window and talk about what you can see. Can you count the stars? Can you find the moon?
4. Create a vehicle that you could use to travel into space. What would it look like? You could create a rocket using cardboard tubes or a spacecraft using old boxes.

Just a quick reminder that books will be taken in and changed overnight Monday with a new one sent home on a Tuesday and that books will only be changed when there has been a comment in the reading diary that the book has been read. If you have any queries or questions at all, please feel free to let us know at drop off or pick up and we can arrange a time to discuss these.



