



Curriculum Newsletter for ARP Spring 1 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first half term of 2025. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE day is Tuesday. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them.

Please remember to bring in trainers everyday for our daily mile.

Homework will go out Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school on time.

Our Topic for this half term is 'Space'.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will be reading simple sentences from our favourite books. This term we will be reading 'Space explorers' and 'Back to Earth with a bump' as well as the 'Man on the Moon'. The children will be looking at constructing sentences and order the events from the stories correctly. We will also be continuing to learn our phase 1, 2, or 3 phonics and whole word recognition including Makaton signs.

In Numeracy our key skills will continue to focus on numbers 11-20 and matching numbers to amounts. We will also be looking at our number bonds to 5 or 10. We will be looking at 2d shapes, talking about their properties and using them to create Space pictures.

In Jewish Studies we will be focussing on some of the the festival of Tu B'Shevat. Learning about trees and different types of fruit.

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We will be learning new words and songs to describe expressing our wants and needs, using different types of communication.

In understanding the world we be looking at different planets, spacecrafts and stars. We will be learning their names and what they look like. We will be using ICT to help draw different planets.

We will link the space to our everyday life (for example how to keep personal space while we are playing with our friends and how to cross the road safely).

During Expressive Art and Design sessions we will be learning how to make a rocket and making different types of surfaces, smooth, rough, sticky, fluffy etc.

In Music, the children will be exploring how to make different types of sounds and notes with different instruments, we will also be learning new songs about space.

In PE we will be looking at movement and what it would be like walking on the moon and trying different body positions and balances to make different shapes.