



Year 5 Spring 1 Newsletter

Earth and Space - What is so special
about our planet?

In this booklet you will find information on some of the things your child will be covering in class. You will also find a few ideas of how you can help your child at home.

We value your support in working with us and hope that you will find this information useful.

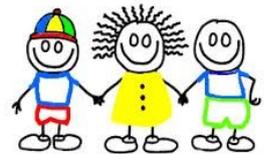


English

- To include a range of connectives in narrative writing.
- To understand how to edit effectively.
- To create a villain that engages the reader.
- To use a range of different starters in narrative writing.
- To improve vocabulary during editing.
- To develop characters through action and dialogue.
- To use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

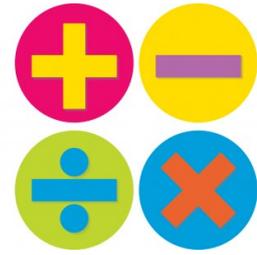
- To think about the changes that occur as we grow up.
- To understand what success is and how to be successful.



PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Invasion games such as: netball, hockey, rugby etc.
- To develop their general fitness.
- To use choreography and develop a dance routine.





MATHEMATICS

- To add and subtract using negative numbers.
- To use the bar model to calculate equations.
- To identify properties of 2D and 3D shapes.
- To identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or a translation.
- To identify key angle facts.



UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- To describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system.
- To describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth.
- To describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies.
- To use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.



EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

- To use various materials to develop tone and different effects.
- To use techniques, colours and effects to represent things seen.



EXTRA ACTIVITIES/ THINGS TO BRING IN

- Weekly homework.
- Daily reading book



HOME LINKS

- Support your child with weekly homework, practising multiplication facts and spellings.
- To ensure that your child is completing Mathletics for maths x3 per week as part of homework.
- Read ten minutes per day and keep a record in reading log.
- Work on revising key areas of mathematics and English (including SPaG) - perhaps using a study guide, available at all good bookstores.