



What's Happening in the Classroom?

Welcome back to all of our families, we hope you all had a relaxing Summer holiday and are ready for exciting year!

Our topic this term is the study of Earth and Space and our topic is called, Moon Zoom! The children are really enjoying what we have learned so far. We have started to plan our role play area, a space station— which the children are very excited about! The children came up with some fabulous questions about Earth and Space and we cannot wait to start researching. Here are some examples; What is the history of space travel? How did the astronauts get to space? Did they really go or was it not actually true?! Are just a few of the exciting questions we will be answering very soon!

In Literacy, we have started to look at the features of an adventure story in narrative writing. Our class novel, George's Secret Key to the Universe, has already given the children a flavour of what the setting of the story is like. This is preparing the children to write the first step of their own space adventure. We will be studying a variation of different genres linked to the space theme, such as newspaper reports, and persuasive writing.

Our maths learning we will also be space themed and we have already started studying place value to a million! We will also be studying ordering and comparing numbers, rounding, addition and subtraction with increasingly large numbers, and multiplication and division. Measures will be linked to the size of space stations! We will continue to problem solve and reason with calculations linked to all four operations too.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to ask!

Miss Anderson



- PE is on a Thursday afternoon, so can children bring their kit in on a Monday and leave it in school to take home on a Friday. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters.
- Swimming is every Monday morning so children must be on the yard at 8.25a.m. Anyone who is late will have to stay and work in school— so please be on time! Please remember towels, costumes and swimming caps (girls)
- All children need a water bottle in school. They can bring an empty plastic one from home or buy one from the school office for £1.50

Homework:

The children will receive spellings and times tables to practise on a Monday and will be tested on a Friday. They will also receive a **termly piece of homework, where there is a choice of different activities**. If the children struggle with their homework they can do it in school with myself and I will happily support them, please don't let them worry about it over the weekend.

Non-return of homework means children will be expected to complete it in their own time at school as the homework will have a direct impact on the learning that will take place the following week..

Dates to Remember

- ◆ Watch this space for an Moon Zoom themed visit, date to follow soon!
- ◆ Meet the teacher drop in session—Tuesday 19th September (optional)
- ◆ Friday 29th September Macmillan coffee afternoon
- ◆ Monday 2nd October—school photographs



- **Sumdog**: can be used on a computer and is available for Ipad, a great collection of maths games. All children have a school log in.
- **Table Mountain, countdown** and **Pole Climber** are great games to practise rapid recall of times tables.

