### Literacy

This half term we will be reading stories from fantasy settings and focusing on our Space topic. Texts include The Man on the Moon, Bob's Best ever Friend, Welcome to Alien School and Letters from an Alien Schoolboy

We will be using Talk 4 Writing to learn stories and write our own space versions. We will be learning to describe characters and settings and include adjectives and similes in our writing.

We will also be learning simple space poems and exploring different types of poetry including acrostic and rhyming couplets

# Spelling, Phonics, Grammar and Punctuation

We will be teaching the age expected spellings as well as revisiting phonic patterns and tricky words.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/ system/uploads/attachment\_data/ file/239784/English\_Appendix\_1\_-\_Spelling.pdf

In our grammar lessons we will be ensuring our work has capital letters and full stops and learn to use question marks correctly.



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#### Numeracy

Number skills and Place value - We will continue to count, order and write numbers to 100.

We will develop our place value knowledge to include hundreds, tens and ones

We will be counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and look for patterns in number sequences and understand odd/ even numbers

**Addition** - We will be developing our addition skills by looking at different ways to make a number - through maths stories

**Shape** - We will name and describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and sort them by common properties.

#### Science

This half term we will be studying Living Things and their habitats.

We will know Humans belong to the mammals group and that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.

We will find out about the basic needs of humans for survival and describe the importance for humans of

#### Homework

In Key Stage 1 the children will have homework books which will include a note each week which sets out the homework and when it should be returned. The homework will focus on basic skills

#### RE

As a Catholic school we follow the Diocesan scheme of work, 'Come and See'. Topics this term include

#### Beginnings & Signs & Symbols

In our Beginnings topic we will understand how God created the world and is present at our beginning and every new beginning. In our Signs & Symbols topic we will be learning about the sacrament of Baptism and the signs and symbols and their meaning

#### Art/DT

We will be using a range of paint techniques such as sponging, stippling and brushing to create planets.

We will be making alien self portraits and designing and building our own space

#### History/Geography

During our Seasonal Change science work we will look at our local environment and the changes in the weather.

We will be finding out about the planets in the solar system and how space travel has

# EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

As we are learning to become part of our new classes we are also exploring the sense of belonging. We will be having a family learning day during this half term so building a family tree is a lovely activity to celebrate that.

Websites to support phonics teaching include www.phonicsplay.co.uk



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#### P.E.

PE takes place throughout the week; please ensure your child has named PE kits in school on the correct days.

This half term we will be playing team games. We will also be talking about how exercise is important for our body.

Children are taught outdoor PE on Wednesdays by our sports coach, Phil Coates. They will be focusing on ball skills this term.

#### Computing

This half term we will Writing for different audiences using Word processing skills and Desktop publishing: 2Publish, Office, iPad

#### **PSHCE**

We currently follow the SEAL curriculum and our topic this term is 'New Beginnings'

#### MUSIC

We follow the Charanga Scheme of Work. We will be learning how to play percussion instruments to accompany space themed

# Educational visits and outdoor learning

We will be going on walks in and around the school to explore seasonal change as part of our science topic.

We will be having a space day in school with science workshops delivered by AS Creatives