



Year Two Spring Term 2

Super Space



WELCOME BACK!

We hope that you had a lovely half term and it is great to see the children returned with big smiles and ready to learn!

Our topic this term is called ‘Super Space.’ The children will be learning about how amazing space really is! They will learn the names of planets and investigate each of them. The children will also look at the history of visits to the moon. The children will have a chance to think about what it would be like to live on a planet that isn’t earth. They will also use the laptops to improve their research skills. In English, the children will be looking at newspapers and thinking about how to report real life events. They will bring home their newspaper report about an event that happened on the playground, later this week. If you could help them to learn this, it would help them when they come to write their own newspaper report. In maths, we will be looking at telling the time to the nearest 15 minutes, looking at 2-D and 3-D shapes and finally practising a variety of questions that use all four operations (+, -, x , ÷).

Thank you for your continued support; it is much appreciated by us all.

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The **geographical** focus of this topic is looking at the earth from space. The children will look at aerial photographs and think about how buildings and geographical features would look from a birds-eye view.

The children will be **scientists**, learning to ask simple questions about space and use a range of sources to find answers to these questions.

The children will be **designers**, making a variety of rockets from different materials. They will have to think about what materials would work well for different reasons.

The children will be **historians**, thinking about key events and people from the past that have helped to shape their lives today. They will also research these key events and people to answer any questions they have.



Practise your learning by...



<p>Can you keep track of the times you do different things at home? E.g. what time do you wake up? What time do you have breakfast?</p>	<p>Can you use Google Earth or Google Maps to find Wellingborough, your house, The Avenue Infant School and the town centre?</p>	<p>Write a newspaper report about something you have done. This could be a trip to the park or going to visit a friend.</p>	<p>Research about the solar system. Make a fact file about your favourite planet.</p>
<p>Write a few sentences using a variety of verbs. Can you underline the verb in every sentence and say if it is in the past, present or future tense?</p>	<p>Can you find any objects around the house and name what shape they are? E.g. my jewellery box is a cuboid.</p>	<p>Can you make a solar system poster ensuring all the planets are accurately labelled?</p>	<p>Can you make a model of your favourite planet? Think carefully about the colour and size of it!</p>
<p>Can you use the computer to find out who has been to space?</p>	<p>Can you do some cooking at home? Make sure you use your new measuring skills to help! Take a picture to show us!</p>	<p>Practise your joined up handwriting, thinking carefully about where each letter should be joined and if it should start at brave or scared monkey.</p>	<p>Can you solve $24+17$, $32-9$, 5×5 and $12 \div 2$? Make sure you show your workings out!</p>

Continue to use the activities on www.purplemash.com at home using their login from the front of their homework book.

Don't forget to keep practising your spelling cards!!

Remember to read regularly and bring your signed reading record into school to earn a sticker! Complete the reading challenges too and earn a certificate for each 5 completed and a prize if you can do all 15!