



Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Moon Zoom 2024 – 2025



How do we visit the moon?

This topic we will be exploring the history of space travel and visiting the moon.

Key Dates

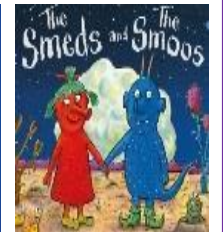
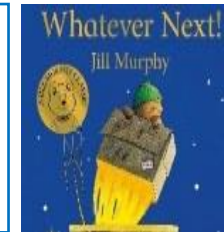
- 24th Feb – Start of term
- 25th Feb till 11th March - Book Fair in School
- 25th Feb & 27th Feb – Parents Evening
- 3rd March – Harlow Carr Trip
- 27th March - PTFA Disco
- 31st March – Last day for creative home learning.
- 3rd April – Topic Showcase
- 4th April – End of Term

PSHE/RE/PE

- PSHE – All our PSHE learning this half-term will be around the theme 'Rights and Respect'.
- RE – Personal Journey - How and why do some people pray?
- PE – Climbing Wall and Target Games.

Writing

This half-term in English we will be exploring the texts [Whatever Next by Jill Murphy](#) and [The Smeds and the Smoos by Julia Donaldson](#). We will continue to use 'think it, say it, write it, check it' to write sentences, challenge ourselves to use adjectives to describe, supported by using our growing phonics knowledge to help us spell. We will then introduce the prefix -un and recap the suffixes 'er', 'est' and 'ed'.



Reading/Phonics

This half-term we will continue to develop a love of reading through sharing our favourite stories. We will also continue to build our phonetic knowledge through our daily phonics sessions and develop our reading fluency through our Reading Club sessions.

Maths

This half-term in Maths we will be focusing on subtraction within 20. We also look at place value within 50. Towards the end of the half-term we will learn about measurements (height, length, weight and volume). We will be continuing to promote the use of Numbots to support children in securing their basic mathematical skills. The children's achievements in upgrading Rusty will continue to be celebrated.

Science

This half-term in Science we will be continuing our focus on the topic 'Animals'. The children will now be using their knowledge of identifying common animals to compare, classify and group them. We will also start to look out our topic 'Seasons'. We will be going on a trip to Harlow Carr linking to our science lessons.

Junior Jam

- Computing – iCreate
- Languages – Food, drink and preferences
- Music – Song writing and Glockenspiels

Topic

Art and Design – Create a variety of space artwork using different skills and materials (paint, ink and chalks).

Geography – Continue to look at seasonal change with a particular focus on the changes to physical features between Winter and Spring. We will also use VR headsets to 'go to the moon'.

History – Exploring changes within living memory (the moon landings) and research significant individuals (Neil Armstrong and Mae Jamieson).

Key Vocabulary:

Astronaut, Earth, Launch, Moon, Planet, Rocket, Space, Spring, Star.