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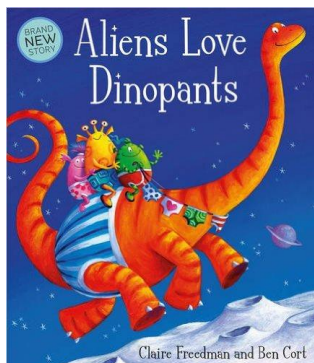
This Week – We are Space Researchers!

This week in our **Topic** work we have been looking at light sources and shadows and how this links to seasons and the sun and moon.

In our **ICT** lessons the children have accessed the Espresso and Mathletics websites to support their learning in class.

In **Mathematics** this week we have been exploring division as grouping and looking at the link with multiplication. The children have also been practising their basic calculation skills.

In our **English** work we have enjoyed listening to the story “Aliens Love Dinopants” by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort. We have been collecting nouns and adjectives and used these in our writing. In our grammar work we have been using different types of punctuation. We have explored pages from information books about Space and Astronauts which will link to our work next week building up collections of interesting words and collecting facts to create our own information booklets about space exploration.



How you can help...

You can help by hearing your child **read every night** for at least ten minutes. Please support your child with this.

Homework this week:

- **Spellings** – phonics pattern
- **English** – Birds in the Garden comprehension sheet
- **“Talk Time”** - Please talk to your child about our solar system and the sun.
- **Mathematics** – Division questions
- **Times Tables** – x4 tables
- **Extra Mile Challenge:** Research a famous astronaut and make an information leaflet about them.



Things to remember

Reading bags:

Please remind your child to bring their reading folders into school every day. Thank you.

Safer Internet Day: 7th February 2017

Extreme English Week: 27th February 2017

Letters have been sent home relating activities planned for this week along with information to help you support your child to improve their reading skills.

Thank you.

Next Week – We are Space Researchers!



In **Mathematics** we will be solving word problems and using different types of calculations to solve them. We will be practising our skills adding and subtracting using tens and ones.

In **English** we will be using information books to research facts about space, space travel, astronauts and the solar system. We will be collecting vocabulary, exploring the features of information leaflets and texts and begin writing our own information fact files.



In our **Topic and Science** work we will be collecting and charting information about the weather. We will explore different light sources and find out about their different uses and importance.

In **DT and Art** activities we will continue making our 3d models of aliens and use printing techniques to create pictures.



Congratulations!



Christian Value of Peace – Ryan Ekins
Curriculum Award – Lottie Lawson
Star Writer – Jake Bailey

A big “thumbs up” to our class members who have demonstrated consistent “**Outstanding**” Behaviour this week!
Harrison, Gomezzyo, Ethan, Lottie, George K, Freyja, George G, Lewis and Ryan

For those children who have been working hard to improve their behaviour - Keep up the Good Work!
You have been noticed!

Thank you for all your help and support.
Mrs. Ramsay