

Year 2 Newsletter No.16

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This Week – We are Space Aliens!

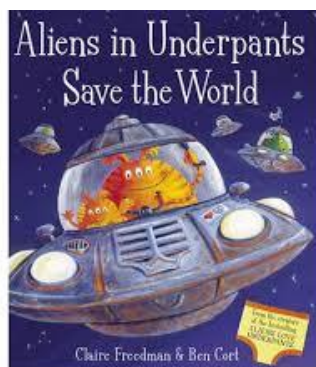
This week in our **Topic** and **Art** work we have enjoyed designing our 3d aliens and created super space art – our own alien pictures. We will be putting a selection of these up on the school website shortly. We have begun finding out about weather symbols and the seasons of the year. We have also been introduced to compass points.

In our **RE** lessons we have been exploring who Jesus' friends were and begun finding clues about them in the Bible stories.

In our **ICT** lessons the children have continued using Espresso Coding to explore and create simple instructions to change or move objects on the screen. We have also used graphics packages to create our own pictures of aliens in underpants for our class display.

In **Mathematics** this week we have been exploring multiplication as repeated addition and used array diagrams to solve multiplication questions.

In our **English** work we have enjoyed listening to the story "Aliens in Underpants Save the World" by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort. We have been writing speech bubbles, collecting words to use instead of "said", and explored subordination of time in our writing through the use of words such as after, next, before, finally and when.



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** – Topic words (seasons and weather)
- **English** – Birds in the Garden comprehension sheet
- **"Talk Time"** - Please talk to your child about weather and the changes that occur in different seasons of the year.
- **Mathematics** – Multiplication questions
- **Times Tables** – x4 tables
- **Extra Mile Challenge:** What can you discover about compasses and directions?



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 –

Please talk regularly to your child about the importance of staying safe online

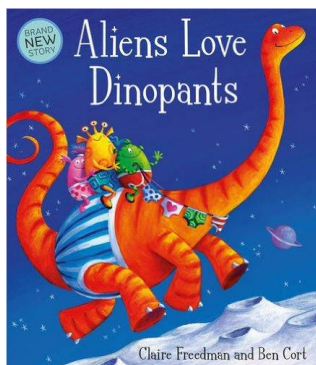
To Ellouise - All of Year 2 send our love and prayers as you leave us today- we will really miss you!

Next Week – We are Space Researchers!



In **Mathematics** we will be exploring division, through practical sorting and sharing. We will also be exploring the links between division and multiplication.

In **English** we will be enjoying the story “Aliens Love Dinopants”. We will be sequencing story events and retelling the story. We will also be exploring and using our topic loan books to research and find information and facts about space exploration and space vehicles. We will be collecting vocabulary and begin writing our own information fact files.



In our **Topic and Science** work we will be using simple compasses and exploring our outdoor spaces using the compasses. We will be exploring forces relating to floating and sinking, and test materials suitable for making model ships for Christopher Columbus. We will also be finding out more about the different seasons of the year and collect and chart information about the weather.

In **DT and Art** activities we will begin making our 3d models of aliens.



Congratulations!



Christian Value of Hope – George Keating
Curriculum Award – Lewis Hoyle
Star Writer – Kieran Staker

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

Thank you for all your help and support.

Mrs. Ramsay