

Reception home learning week commencing 8th June - SPACE!

Hello!

It's Mrs Jervis this week! I hope you are all well and muddling through this very strange time. I am going to put a full week of ideas for home learning on one document so you can pick and choose what fits depending on the sort of day you are having. Some days seem to be more productive than others so when you are feeling like you are 'winning' here is a load of activities to get your teeth stuck into!

We are going to be starting a new topic all about SPACE! So if you haven't already, have a look at the Space-X launch from last weekend and talk about where they went (International Space Station.) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=22BXPLkyocw>

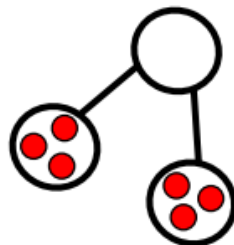
In **personal, social and emotional development** in school, the children will be creating an emotions wall and talking about a key emotion every day so they can communicate how they are feeling. This week we will be explaining - **nervous, excited, hot, sick, surprised** and **sleepy**. Please try to use these words this week when reading stories or talking about your own emotions and encourage the children to do the same. Ask them how they are feeling throughout the day, can they use a new word to describe it?

In **handwriting** we'll be focusing on the long ladder letters - **l, i, t, u, j**.

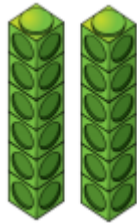
In **literacy** we will be reading a selection of stories about Space - The first Hippo on the Moon - David Walliams, Whatever Next - Jill Murphy, How to catch a star - Oliver Jeffers, The dinosaur that pooped a planet - Tom Fletcher, Aliens love underpants - Clair Freedman, QPootle 5 - Nick Butterworth, Guess how much I love you - Sam McBratney. Have a look on you tube for any of these or read some you already have at home.

In **phonics** we will be recapping the online sessions 3-6 from phase 3.

In **maths** we will be continuing learning about doubling as well as recapping matching numerals to quantities. Here are some of the methods we will be using to double numbers.



The part, part, whole model



Building towers with blocks.

Using a ten frame (and natural materials - sticks, pebbles, leaves etc.)
You can draw one of these with chalk on the ground, masking tape on the carpet or with string/sticks outside.



Understanding the world - make a lava lamp! Use a clear bottle or cup, put water in a third of it, put oil in another third, drop some food colouring in (optional), place a half of a dissolvable vitamin C tablet into the cup and watch the reaction create bubbles like a lava lamp!

Talk about the planets in our solar system - you could use this song to help!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XX-oSuVU6WY> You could ask children to write a fact about their favourite planet!

Physical development -

Gross motor - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LZAaZDVqCiA> Cosmic Kids Yoga - 'Mike the cosmic space monkey.' If you haven't tried a cosmic kids yoga yet, give it a whirl. They are lots of fun and tell stories throughout to keep the children engaged.

Fine motor - make aliens with play dough and use lolly sticks, googly eyes, feathers, string, pebbles to add detail to them. If you don't have 'real' play dough, here is a recipe that I have used for years...<https://theimaginationtree.com/best-ever-no-cook-play-dough-recipe/> Alternatively you can make *cloud dough* with equal quantities of cornflour and hair conditioner!

Expressive arts and design - design and build a rocket out of recycling. (Bottles, tubes, boxes, tin foil etc.) Ask children to write a list of the materials they need for their rocket.

- Collect and decorate a rock to go onto the Osmotherley rock snake in the village.
- Design your own alien and write about it. E.g. 'It has three legs and a long neck.'
- Make a galaxy collage. Draw and cut out star shapes to stick on. Put paint on and use a straw to blow the paint to make shooting stars. You could use tin foil as your background or a dark coloured paper if you have it.

Have a lovely *SPACE* week and remember to send us photos and keep in touch.

Mrs Jervis and the Acorns team x