

Literacy

This week, we will be introducing our new topic, space. We will be reading nonfiction books and learning about what space is and why it is important. We will learn about the different features of space, as well as interesting facts about the different planets. We will also be pointing out the features of nonfiction books, such as the contents page, headings, and pictures with labels.

Communication, Language and Phonics

In phonics this week we will be learning the digraphs **ai**, **ee**, and **oa** and the trigraph **igh**. A digraph is two letters that make one sound and a trigraph is three letters that make one sound.

We will be reading words with these new digraphs and trigraph in, as well as reviewing all the tricky words we have learnt so far.

Understanding the World

This week we will have fun exploring space, learning about what is up in space and learning facts about the sun, moon and the different planets.

We will have the opportunity to see and learn about our solar system through a visit to the space dome in our studio.

Expressive Arts & Design



This week we will be learning a new song/poem to help us learn the order of the planets in space.

Personal Social Emotional Development

This week we will be talking about our new value of the month:

Co-operation. We will be looking for this value in the stories we read and celebrating when we demonstrate it as we learn and play with our friends.



In our Jeanie Jigsaw lesson, we will be learning how to stay motivated and how to keep persevering when doing something challenging.

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RECEPTION LEARNING

What do you
know about
space?

Physical Development



In our outside classroom we will be engaging in activities to enhance our gross motor skills, such as, hockey, football, throwing and catching etc.

Maths

This week in maths, we will be learning how numbers are made by putting smaller parts together. We will explore the numbers 3, 4, and 5 and see how they can be split and combined in different ways. Through hands-on activities, children will use objects and pictures to understand that numbers can be made in more than one way.

For example, I can make the number 5 using 3 and 2 but also by using 4 and 1.