

## Literacy

This week we will be basing some of our learning around the story *Whatever Next* by Jill Murphy. We will be using our retrieval and sequencing skills to help us retell and then to act out the story. You can support this learning at home by asking your child to retell a story that they have read. Your child might like to make props and act out their story for you!

## Communication, Language and Phonics

We will be reading words with these new digraphs in:

**oo** (as in moon) **oo** (as in book) **ar** (as in dark) and **or** (as in horn)

We will also be learning the new tricky words: **was**, **you** and **they**.

## Understanding the World

We will be trying space food and comparing this to the food we usually eat. We will recap some of the knowledge we have learnt so far about space and use our investigative and creative skills to create rockets that move.



## Expressive Arts & Design



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

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# RECEPTION LEARNING

How do  
astronauts  
live in space?



## Physical Development



In the woodland we will be working together to create alien or moon soup. We will use our gross and fine motor skills to dig, collect, stir the soup and to write the recipe.

## 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 talking about never giving up! We will be sharing our own experiences of things we have found tricky but have overcome with practice and perseverance. E.g. learning to walk or learning to ride a bike.



## Maths



This week we will be learning to recognise and create repeating patterns. As you walk to school can you spot any patterns? Are they repeating patterns? How do you know?

