JELLYFISH JOURNAL

Autumn 2 2015





Topic Work Blast Off!

During this half term we will be finding out all about outer space

and the planets of the solar system. We will find out the names of the different planets and use information books to help us recreate the solar system. During this time we will also design and make our own class planet, doing descriptive writing about the aliens that live on our planet. We will find out about Neil Armstrong and why he is a famous person in history,

making timelines showing landings on the moon. We will be designing and making space rockets. In the

classroom we will have an outer space role play area for the children to explore.



Literacy

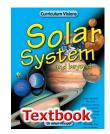
We will be continuing with our Read, Write Inc groups every morning, where we will continue to learn new phonics and will read and write with these.

We are still trying to get the children in the routine of putting their own reading book in the tray once it has been read and signed. Please continue regular reading at home in order for your child to progress through the reading levels and become confident readers.

Through our topic work we will be writing lists and making plans for our voyage into Space. As well as

descriptive writing about our visit into Space.

During small guided reading groups we will be using non-fiction texts to find out about the planets from outer space.



PE and Swimming

This half-term we will be continuing our dance unit. Our PE will be on a Friday afternoon, children should have a full P.E kit in school, including footwear for outside.

Earrings must be taken out for PE and swimming lessons.

Celebrations

Bonfire Night

We will look at the story behind Bonfire Night and what happened to Guy Fawkes over 400 years ago.



Christmas Nativity

Towards the end of the half term will learn about the Christmas story and why and how we celebrate today.



Numeracy

Arithmetic

We will be counting, reading and writing with one and two digit numbers. Finding ten more and ten less than a given number.

We will be practically adding and subtracting objects, writing maths stories and recording on number lines.

We will be counting in twos and using a number lines to record this.



Measure

We will continue to measure using centimetres and decimetres, comparing different lengths and using this in addition and subtraction problem solving.

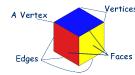
We will begin to look at telling the time at o'clock and half past the

hour.

Geometry

We are going to look at the properties of 3D shapes and how these relate to what we already know about 2D shapes

We will be describing position, direction and movement, including half, quarter and three quarters of a turn.



Homework

We have seen some excellent homework in the Jellyfish class so far! Keep up the hard work. This half term homework will continue to be linked to our topic work as well as reading and Mathletics.

Let's try and get some trophies on the Mathletics scoreboard!