

**YEAR: Reception**

**TERM: Spring 2**

**This term our themes are Space and Spring**

**English :**

We will be using stories based on our theme and these will include Here Come the Aliens, Good Night Spaceman. How to Catch a Star and Q-Pootle 5. We will also be learning and performing Spring poems. Phonics We will be continuing to embed and correctly form the first group of sounds. We will be applying these sounds into our reading and writing. We will be working on set 2 and set 3 sounds and applying these in our reading and writing

**Sparkling Learning**

This half term we will be continuing to build upon our good learning behaviours. Our focus will be on developing a 'Growth Mindset' to ensure we are able to tackle different challenges confidently.

We will also be exploring and developing our own challenges to move our learning on and improve what we can do.



**Mathematics :**

We will be learning about doubling and halving numbers and other objects. We will also be continuing to develop our addition and subtraction skills using objects and writing number sentences. We will also be learning about weight, pattern and money including the related vocabulary. We will also be continuing to apply our knowledge to solve problems and challenges

**Our Exciting Curriculum**

We have lots of exciting events and activities to look forward to this term which will help us in our learning these include:

**Stunning Start:** We will be creating a space rocket in the classroom so we can blast off to different planets.

**Magical Middle:** We will be creating an alien landscape in our garden.

**Fantastic Finale:** We will then move on to learning about Spring and Easter we will be going on a Spring walk around our school and the local area to notice the seasonal changes. We also be learning about the Easter story and have an Easter Bonnet Parade which you will be invited to attend.

**Physical development:** we will be continuing to develop our gymnastic skills through our PE lessons. We will also be continuing to develop our muscles for writing through funky fingers activities and using a variety of tools to make models.

**Communication and Language:** we will be continuing to rehearse putting our ideas into clear sentences. We will be using our learning friends to share our ideas and develop our listening skills. We will be learning to speak and perform to a larger audience.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development:** we will be learning about different feelings and to be able to express how we feel at different times. We will also be working hard to solve problems including dealing with issues that arise with friends

**Dates and reminders to parents**

World Book Day is 1st March, please send your child to school dressed as their favourite book character.

Our Class Assembly is Thursday 22nd March.

Class trip to Hyde Hall 22/5/2018

**Understanding the world,** we will be learning about the different planets in our solar system by researching ideas on the computer. We will be coming up with our own planet ideas comparing it to earth. We will be finding out technology in the home and school. We will then move onto noticing seasonal changes as we learn about Spring, we will be beginning planting seeds in preparation for our growing topic later in the year.

**Creative Arts:** we will be learning a variety of space songs and playing musical instruments along with these songs. We will be creating our own rockets and developing our art and design skills to come up with our own ideas.

**Religious Education:** we will be learning about New Testament Bible Stories and understanding how people celebrate Easter.