

Home Learning Activities
Week Beginning 22nd June 2020
Topic - Space



Nursery
Bumblebees and Ladybirds



Reading Weekly Tasks	Phonics Weekly Tasks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday- Visit Storytime from Space and let your child listen to the Story Time video of A Moon of My Own. Tuesday- Listen to space themed online stories, Aliens Love Underpants, Roaring Rockets and Whatever Next? Which is your favourite? Why? Wednesday - Listen to Mrs Storey / Ms van Norden tell the story 'Come to tea on Planet Zum Zee' in the link you have been emailed. Thursday- Using the space stories from this week as a starting point, ask your child to make up their own story about space. You don't need to write this down if you don't want too, you could just 'tell' the story. It could use the same characters or settings as one of the stories you have shared together. Friday- Ask your child to draw a picture of one of the events from their made up space story. Can they explain what's happening in the picture? Or, for more of a challenge, can they draw a book cover for their space story? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday- Play the online game 'Picnic on Pluto'. Choose the Phase 2 section, click on the sounds your child knows. If your child is not at the stage of reading independently, you could sound the words out for them to blend together. Tuesday- Play 'I Spy in Space'. 'I spy, with my little eye, something beginning with t'. Wednesday- Write different sounds (s, a, t, p, i, n, d, m, g, o, c, k) on paper Put the sounds together to make different words only changing the initial sound e.g. t-i-n (tin), b-i-n (bin), p-i-n (pin). Thursday - Play, 'Pick a Picture', again pick Phase 2 words. You can orally sound out the word for your child for them to blend together if they are not yet at the stage of reading independently. Friday- Watch the Alphablocks video here, about the letters g, o, c, k and how to blend them to read words. <div style="text-align: center;"> </div>
Maths Weekly Task	Weekly Writing Tasks
<p style="color: red;">Length and Height Focus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday- Ask your child to make different rockets out of playdough or strips of paper. Can they make a long rocket? A short rocket? A thick rocket? Tuesday- Your child can compare objects from around the house or outside. Ask them if the object is longer, the same length or shorter? Order the objects. Wednesday- Work with your child to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday- Task your child with designing their own spaceship. Can they describe how the machine would move and label it using verbs? Tuesday- Ask your child to draw their own alien and label it. CHALLENGE: Can they create a fact file for their alien using sentences? E.g. My alien lives on Mars. Wednesday- Write an invitation to the alien you created yesterday to invite them to your very own space party.

design a rocket using different 2D shapes. This could be done with 3D shapes if you have spare boxes and resources at home.

- **Thursday-** Ask your child to use Lego, blocks or cardboard boxes to build a tower that is the same height as them, taller than them and shorter than them.
- **Friday-** Play the online game [Let's Compare](#). Following this, your child can sing the song [Short or Tall](#).

- **Thursday-** Your child can draw out or write their own menu for an alien. What does an alien eat? Moon-burgers, star biscuits or fruit rockets. [Click here](#) for more ideas.
- **Friday-** Ask your child to look up to the sky and down to the ground. Ask them to draw what they can see and have a go at completing the sentence, I can see a..

Learning Project - aim to do 3 or more activities over the week

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to learn more about space.

Remarkable Rockets

- Use junk modelling or craft items you have around your house to create your own rocket. Toilet roll tubes are a good starting point. You could have rocket races in the garden:
 - Tie a string up at an angle or use the washing line.
 - Blow up a balloon and sellotape it to your rocket. Hold the end of the balloon but do not tie it.
 - Let the balloon go and watch your rocket fly!



Make a Textured Planet

- Work with your child to create a replica of a planet. You could papier mache a balloon, or colour, paint or stick bits of materials on to the card to create textured effects. This shaving foam technique (see picture) creates a great textured finish when dry. Simply spray shaving foam onto a plate and drop in food colouring or poster paint.



Explore Space Online

- Support your child in looking at the Earth from space using the [Google Earth](#) programme and identifying simple features such as water.
- Can you find your home? What does your child notice about our surrounding area?

Phone Home



- Create a space phone with your child using items from around the home. Get them to practise forming numerals correctly to create the buttons.
- Make a space phone book to support roleplay. Ask your child to draw a picture of a different alien on each page and write a phone number for them.

Have a Space Themed Party/Picnic

- Support your child to use tin foil to create shiny space suits for their teddies and dolls. They could have a space-themed teddy bear's picnic afterwards where they share the biscuits in the next activity!
- Make yummy star biscuits to share at the picnic. Click [here](#) to find instructions on how to support your child in making simple star biscuits. They could share them at their space themed teddy bear's picnic. Share photographs of your space themed picnic on Twitter at **#KestonPrimary**

Wellbeing

The change that Covid-19 has caused to our lives has been difficult and has provided countless challenges. For many children, the uncertainty and disruption to everyday life has caused worry and anxiety. These tasks are designed to help children process the current situation, begin to make sense of it and plan for returning to a different normal.

Talk

- Talk to your child about what they are looking forward to most when things begin to return to normal. Who are they looking forward to seeing at school? What places are they excited about visiting with the family? What will they miss about being at home?

Do

- Write the headings 'Things I've enjoyed being at home' and 'What I am looking forward to most' on paper. Ask your child to draw and/or list all of the positive experiences they have had over the last few weeks and those to come.



Please do keep in touch via the emails below and let us know how you are getting on.

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