

Literacy

In Literacy We will continue to develop phonics knowledge as we continue to embed Phase 3 phonics through Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised. We will enhance our passion for reading through our class themes and continue reading and sharing books with you at home. The children will begin to develop skills in sentence structuring which include using finger spaces, capital letters and full stops, whilst focusing on speaking and listening skills.

PSED

Personal, Social and Emotional Development will focus on developing a sense of belonging as we encourage children to become more independent, making their own choices and developing their own opinions. Through the program 'Jigsaw' we will be challenging our selves to reach for our dreams and goals.

Understand the World

Children will explore the learning environment each week where they will be encouraged to take part in learning through play, developing on their own interests, knowledge and experiences. Children will explore various weekly focused activities based on the theme 'Adventures in Space' in which we will begin to develop knowledge about the planet Earth, the sun and the other planets in our solar system. Whilst exploring a vast range of stories which support learning.

Math

In Maths the children will continue to develop counting skills and number recognition through daily focused math sessions using Numberblocks and White Rose maths as a tool for number mastery. The children will explore numbers, number systems and begin to look at calculating numbers through songs and stories. The child will also develop knowledge of time, mass, capacity, length and height through focused play and exploration.

Shooting Stars **Spring term 1 topic web!** **Adventures in Space**

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will be given the opportunity to get creative using various art materials, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. The children will develop knowledge and skills on the safe use of materials, tools and techniques whilst creating their masterpieces focused on theme work and celebrations.

RE

The children will be exploring celebrations including welcoming in the New Year in the United Kingdom and around the world, gaining further understand of religion and its relationship to family and friendship.

Communication and Language

Children will continue to develop communication and language skills through focused activities and free play. A focus will be placed on the learning of new vocabulary and the children having a voice as they are encouraged to participate in all activities and discussions.

Physical Development

Children will continue to develop fine and gross motor skills through focused PE sessions (managed by trained PE instructors within the Acorn Education Trust), and through the use of manipulatives within the classroom environment, aiming to give the children the skills required to effectively control their body movements in order to develop skills such as pencil control.