



Key Stage 2

AUTUMN TERM 2 2019

This Term our topic is...

‘Space Cadets’



Homework

This half term our topic will be ‘Space Cadets’.

In addition to maths and English homework please see below for additional work you could carry out at home to help engage with the topic and extend your child’s learning further.

| Subject | |
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| Maths | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>MyMaths</u> – set weekly • Times Tables Rock Stars |
| English | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spellings – set weekly • Home Reading |
| Topic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research famous astronauts – male and female • Create a timeline of space exploration • Write a fact file about a planet • Design your own planet • Write a narrative about an astronaut going on a journey through space • Research space related jobs • Read news stories about Tim Peake • Explore modern news media – papers and online • Create your own time capsule |

Time will be given in class for the children to talk about what they have found out and share work they have completed.

For each topic we will have an ‘ignition day’ to inspire and immerse the children into the topic. Topics will end with a celebration to bring together and share the work we have completed.

Topic Ignition – Cosmodome

Topic Celebration – Space themed Christmas party

If you have any questions please contact your child’s class teacher via Bloomz or email Mrs Martin.

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As part of our topic this term we will be ...

- Studying, comparing and grouping rocks
- Exploring fossils
- Describing the relationship between the Earth, Moon and Sun
- Explaining day and night linked to the Earth's rotation
- Reading science fiction stories
- Researching the Apollo landings
- Appreciating 'The Planets' by Gustav Holst
- Creative artwork based on the work of Peter Thorpe
- Launching rockets!



Things to do to help your child:

- Encourage them to read as often as possible
- Remind them to complete their homework and provide them with a quiet comfortable place to do so
- Help them practise their spellings
- Make sure they have their PE kit on the correct days
- Ask your child what they have been learning

Give them opportunities to visit the library or websites to 'read around' the topic and gather information of interest to them.

Key Dates for this half term...

Tuesday 5th/Wednesday 6th November – Individual Photos
Friday 15th November – Staff Training Day
Friday 6th December – PTS Christmas Fair (evening)
Tuesday 10th December 9.15am/Wednesday 11th 5.30pm - KS1 Nativity
Tuesday 17th December pm – EYFS/KS1 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18th December pm – KS2 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19th December 9.15am – EYFS Concert
Friday 20th December 12pm – Break up for Christmas

Useful Websites

You can read more about our curriculum on our website

<https://parkgrove.ebor.academy>

Follow us on Twitter: [@parkgroveschool](https://twitter.com/parkgroveschool)

Other useful websites that may help your child are:

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/bitesizeprimary

www.primaryinteractive.co.uk

www.crickweb.co.uk

www.ictgames.com

www.topmarks.co.uk

If you have any queries or problems that you need to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact any of the staff.