

Art and crafts

Making shadow puppets
Rocket junk modelling
Moon rock Paper Mache
Starry night – Van Gough artwork

WOW!!

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Key Texts:

Non-fiction informative texts
Peace at last
Whatever Next
Bob the man on the moon

Out of this World!

Key questions:

- Which planet do we live on?
- How can you travel to space?
- What force keeps us on the ground?
- How many planets are in the solar system?

Activating Prior knowledge:

We will build upon what children already know about space by splitting the topic into 6 weekly blocks;

Week 1: Earth – We will explore what Earth is made out of, how we live on Earth and how close it is in the solar system to the sun. We will explore Gravity and how we have hot and cold countries.

Week 2: Day and night – We will look at how the moon and sun create day and night for earth and look at shadows.

Week 3: The moon and Astronauts – We will explore the moon in further detail and name the astronauts that made history.

Week 4: Stars – We will explore constellations and create art work inspired by Van Gough.

Week 5: Planets – We will learn about all the planets in the solar system and the characteristics of the 8 planets.

Week 6: Transport – Children will create rockets to go to space. We will explore how long it takes a rocket to go to the moon / space and children will create their own transport to take them to space.

The classroom provision will be enhanced to ensure children have the opportunity to learn both during teacher led activities and independent learning choices.