

This half-term our theme will be 'Out of this World'. This exciting topic is based on the mythical and magical.

### The Enchanted Forest:

Key Texts – Where the Wild Things Are

Bog Baby

Little Lost Unicorn

During this three week topic we will be making our own Magical lands, writing descriptions of magical and mythical creatures as well as making Peg Magical creatures and mud Bog Babies.

### Monsters: Key Text – Monstersaurus

During this theme we will be making Monster Potions looking at capacity and writing recipes for our potions. We will also be learning how to manipulate clay to make clay monsters.

### Aliens and Space: Key Text: Aliens Love Underpants

Making a plasticine alien and writing what he might be saying, weighing and ordering aliens and our famous pants race are just some of the fun and exciting activities we will be experiencing!

### Dragons: Key Texts – Zog

In our topic about Dragons we will be exploring different fictional dragons. We may even find there are some Dragons on the loose

### How to help at home:

Visit your local library and explore books about mythical and magical creatures.

Go on an adventure in the woods and/or other outside environments.

Make different magical creatures out of playdough, plasticine, junk modelling, as well as painting and drawing. Have a go at labelling your creations and even writing a sentence about them.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Outdoor Learning:

Week Beginning: 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2020

Week Beginning: 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 202

#### Handwriting Workshop

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 am and pm session

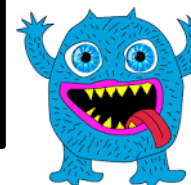
### Writing

In our English lessons the children will continue to use their phonics skills to help them hear and write the sounds they can hear in words.

We will be teaching the children to write simple sentences, using spaces to separate words as they write.

### Handwriting

We will be continuing our weekly handwriting lessons. We will continue to focus on the correct pencil grip and the formation of each letter. This half-term we will be focusing on the curly caterpillar letters c, a, d, g, q, e and f. We will be teaching the children the importance of starting the letters at 1 o'clock.



### Red Words

We will continue to teach the children to read new red words. See below for the list of red words we will be covering each week

Wk 1: said, have

Wk 2: have

Wk 3: like, so

Wk 4: some

Wk 5: come

Wk 6: Revisit and Review

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## OUT OF THIS WORLD



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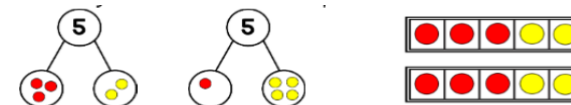
This half-term we will be continuing to focus on teaching the children to play co-operatively in groups. We will be encouraging the children to take turns and to take account of others ideas.

During the term, we will be encouraging the children to think about the effect of exercise on their bodies as they join in with our PE lessons.

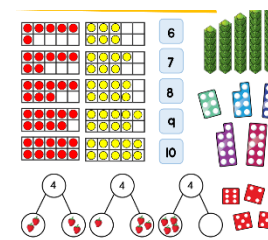
We will also be looking at the importance of hand washing. We will be carrying out several experiments to explore the effects of not washing our hands.

### Maths

In Maths this half-term we will be learning about number bonds. We will start by exploring different number bonds to 5 (two numbers that add up to make 5). We will be introducing the children to the part-whole diagram to show different number bonds.



We will also be looking at different ways to represent the numbers 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 and helping the children to recognise how many objects are in a group by arranging them in tens frames.



#### How to help:

Ensure your child is confident counting objects accurately. Can they make different number bonds to 5? Can they recognise how many objects are in a group by arranging them in a ten frame? Can they recognise all numbers to 10?