Spring 1

Quality texts:









Linked rhymes: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star 5 Little Men in a Flying Saucer

Reception knowledge Organiser - Space

Key facts:

Our planet is called Earth - It is made of land & water The sun is a giant star, which gives us light The moon is made of rock

Key vocab:

Earth planet stars sun moon rocket astronaut

Key areas of development: Prime areas

PSED: Ch. will continue to develop their understanding of how their own actions affect other people and talk about how others may show feelings. E.g. how do the characters in 'The Way Back Home' at different points in the story? The ch will also learn to work in a group. E.g. a group poster drawing and labelling the sun, moon & all eight planets PD: Fine motor activities will include: making an alien from loose parts, making stars using playdoh, making patterned underpants using tweezers & poms

Key areas of development: Mathematics

The children will start this half term by creating their own 'moon maps' where they will discuss routes and locations, developing their positional language. The children will also start to explore the composition of larger numbers (within 10), which will also involve 'doubling' by duplicating parts! The children will continue to explore calendar maths, learning about 'new year' and becoming more confident with naming months.

Key areas of development: Literacy

The children will continue to develop their understanding of texts in a range of ways, e.g. character description of aliens, recalling and listing the objects Baby Bear took to space, and exploring characters' feelings in The Way Back Home. Throughout the half term, the children will develop their writing by now progressing to caption writing e.g. the big moon

Key areas of development: EAD/UTW

Children will create their own rocket/space ship using junk modelling. Children should be encouraged to think about the shape, colours and materials needed to assemble and create their model. Ch will learn space songs and rhymes and retell stories using actions and expression. The role play area will be transformed into a space station, providing the opportunity to apply their new knowledge and vocabulary within this topic.

Experiences/Visitors/Projects

Building a rocket/space ship Sky gazing whilst reading 'Look up' Chinese New Year