Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy
Spring Term 1 Newsletter

Arctic Class
- Reception

Let your light shine!

I hope you and your families have had a wonderful Christmas break and have managed some quality family time and rest. I'm super excited for our fun-filled half term ahead.

Forest School is on Fridays.

PE is on Fridays.

MUSIC is Fridays.

Please do make sure we have wellies and appropriate waterproof coveralls.

With the cold weather, please make sure children have a **coat, hat, and gloves** in school along with a **full change of spare clothes**.

This half term's learning:

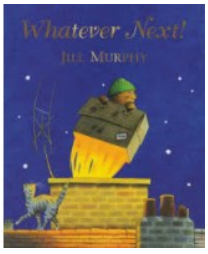
Our topic this term is 'a journey in time'

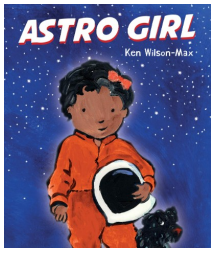
We will be focusing our learning around the topic of SPACE for this half term.

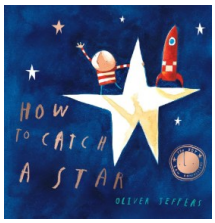
Our Learning Objectives:

child's belongings!

Our Literacy work is going to be based on these books:







We will be discussing ideas with a speaking and listening focus; writing captions; sequencing and retelling familiar stories and describing characters (orally and written).

In Maths we will be exploring the composition and comparing numbers 0 and 5-10 reinforcing 'one more' and 'one less'; investigating capacity, mass, height, length and time; combining two groups.

In phonics we will be consolidating set 1 sounds and learning the set 1 special friends. When ready, some children will begin to learn our set 2 sounds. Please ensure you are regularly reading at home with your child(ren).

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

Team work; taking turns, sharing, managing our emotions

Understanding the World/ Expressive Arts & Design/ :

Exploring what lives in the sky; the solar system; what are 'astronauts'?; how does the Earth move?; ways to look after our Earth; magnetic force; gravity; does the moon really have a face? Lunar New Year is on 29th January; we'll be learning about this celebration and tasting some Chinese foods

Physical Development:

Our weekly PE lessons with Mrs Greenland; funky finger station; handwriting and letter formation; dough disco; outdoor obstacles; outdoor learning

Outdoor Learning:

Exploring our school areas; creating space rockets; making moon rocks; participating in RSPB school's bird watch; weekly outdoor learning sessions