



With Faith, Hope & Love we can achieve greater things.

St Andrew's C of E Primary School



Vision

St Andrew's - a **Good Samaritan School** (Luke 10: 25-37).

Making a difference so all can flourish.

Values in Focus



Our Topic

What Happens When I Fall to Sleep?



Reading for Pleasure

The following books can be enjoyed by your children and are linked to their topic

Night Monkey Day Monkey - Julia Donaldson

Blast Off - Linda C Cain & Susan Rosenbaum

Whatever Next – Jill Murphy

Aliens Love Underpants – Claire Freedman & Ben Cort

Q pootle 5 – Nick Butterworth



PSHE

This half term our Jigsaw Puzzle is



"Dreams & Goals"

We will also take part in activities as part of

"Internet Safety Day"

Week beginning 6th February 2023

This will grow our knowledge of how to stay safe online.

Visits, Visitors & Memorable Experiences

Monday 9th Jan – Pyjama Day

Other dates for your diary

14th & 15th February – Parents Evening

Homework and PE Requirements

Reading Books

Reading books and reading records will be sent out on a Tuesday. Please bring these back on a Monday. Please continue to support your child with their sounds, reading walls and home reading.

PE is on...Wednesday. Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school (white t-shirt, blue shorts, black pumps)

No earrings to be worn on this day please.



Reception: Spring 1

Personal, social and emotional development

This half term we will continue to look at a variety of cultures, how we can develop a respect for our own culture, and the culture of others. We will develop an awareness of our own views, feelings and needs, and learn how to be sensitive to the views, feelings and needs of others. Please help your child by discussing their thoughts

Communication and language

Encourage your child by asking them to retell some of the stories they have learnt in class:

- Whatever Next
- Day Monkey Night Monkey
- Aliens Love Underpants

Literacy

During our topic we will be exploring information texts, looking at space and different planets, discussing and comparing facts about them. Your child will be learning how we use a nonfiction book to find something out about our topic, exploring the contents page, glossary and index. We will be thinking up our own stories about visiting the moon or other planets, and suggesting interesting endings to stories we read in class. You can support your child by reading a story together, describing the characters and sequencing the events of the story. You may like to write your own story together.



Maths

We will be looking at counting groups of objects and how many sets of so many objects we have. Encouraging them to show an interest in number problems and help your child with the vocabulary involved in addition and subtraction e.g. add and takeaway, more and less, and the mathematical signs that represent these words. We will also be exploring 2D and 3D shapes. Please encourage your child at home by looking for objects and describing the shape e.g. tin of beans – cylinder, cereal box – cuboid etc.

Expressive arts and design

We will be looking at different ways for your child to re-create the planets and make rockets, exploring different textures. To encourage your child at home, give them the opportunity to use different fabric, paper and recyclable textiles to recreate their own galaxy.

Physical Development

Through P.E. your child will begin to understand good practice with regard to exercise, eating, sleeping and hygiene. We will think about how these contribute to good health, and recognising the importance of keeping healthy. We will observe the changes that happen to our bodies when we are active.

Understanding the world

Your child will be learning about space, planets, rockets, astronauts and the moon landings. Your child will be encouraged to discuss their ideas and thoughts about the moon, planets and space and how people get there. You could help your child research and learn about the planets. On the NASA website, there is a fantastic children's section with information, space games and videos your child can watch.