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Welcome back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Spring 2, I hope you all had a lovely half term!

This half term our topic is Moon Zoom. We'll travel through space to learn about the Solar System. We'll investigate an alien crash site, write an incident report and try to find the aliens who have landed. Where could they be? We'll make models of the Solar System and design spaceships, space buggies and space-related toys. We will launch our topic by creating our very own rockets, thinking about what we will need to take with us to space and how they will fly.

Just a reminder of important diary dates:

- Homework and spellings – these will be given out on a Monday. We expect these to be completed and back in school for a Friday morning.
- Reading - We will be continuing to send out reading books that link to the phonics/reading level your child is working at in school and these will be changed on a Friday. It is important that the children are reading at home, as well as twice a week in school. Could you please read with your child at home, once a week, and record this in their planners, so that we can fill our reading display and earn some nice treats throughout the year! Could you please also continue to complete any phonics sounds that are being sent home, to prepare your child for the next group.
- PE kits – Please send in a PE kit on a Monday morning and leave it at school throughout the week, we will return this home on a Friday. Our PE days this half term are Tuesday and Friday, however, we often have events in school that require PE kits, so it is important to still ensure children have their kits every day.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

Many Thanks
Miss Grimes.

Moon Zoom!



The countdown has begun. Are you ready for blast off?

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At the end of our project, we'll share our learning in a variety of different ways. We'll read our exciting science-fiction stories aloud, sing space-themed songs and create an exhibition of our space models. It will be out of this world!

ILP focus	D&T
English	Posters, character profiles, non-chronological reports, adverts, science-fiction stories
D&T	Design and make space-themed vehicles
Art & design	Models of the Solar System
Computing	Drawing software, algorithms, email, presentations
Geography	Satellite images
History	Astronauts
Mathematics	Position and direction
Music	Space sounds, space-themed songs
PE	Dance
PSHE	Aspirations and goal setting
Science	The Solar System, properties of everyday materials

Help your child prepare for their project

There's so much to learn about space! Why not stay up late and look at the stars? A stargazing app could help you identify well-known constellations. You could also visit the local library and find some exciting space stories and information books to share. Alternatively, create extraordinary aliens using modelling clay or a drawing app.