

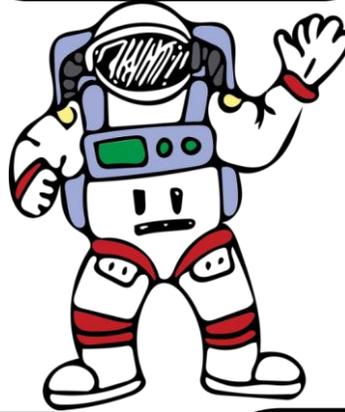
Our topic in Reception this half term is 'To infinity and beyond' learning all about space, the solar systems, astronauts and the difference between day and night, There are also lots of other exciting events happening this half term which we will be learning about such as, Halloween, Bonfire night, Diwali, and Christmas.

### Talking

During our topic this half term, the Children will be introduced to a wide range of vocabulary relating to Space. This language can be reconsolidated at home during observations of the Sky and through talking to your Child about what they have been learning.

One of our focus books this term is 'Aliens love underpants' which includes lots of rhyming words. In School we will be highlighting the rhyming words to the children, encouraging them to spot rhythm in spoken language and continue a rhyming string. You could point out any rhyming words which you spot in your stories at home and encourage your child to continue the rhyming string.

**Ideas to support your child's learning at home:**  
**'To infinity and beyond'**  
**2020**



### Out and about

Our topic this term is all about Space and how the sky changes. With your Child, you could observe the changes in the sky from day to night. When can they see the moon and stars? Is the moon always the same shape? What changes can they see during the day? Can they see the sun and clouds at night?

### Reading, Writing and Stories

Continue supporting your Child to practise the sounds which we have been learning during RWI. Using the sounds cards and focusing on blending using the word cards.

Encourage your child to practise recognising and writing their name.

Continue to read/listen to the stories which we are focusing on in School. Encouraging your child to talk about the plot of the story, the characters and their favourite parts.

As we approach Christmas there are lots of exciting mark making opportunities for the Children, such as Christmas cards and Christmas lists to santa.

### In the kitchen

There are lots of traditional foods we eat during this time of year to celebrate different occasions. You could discuss these foods with your child and why we eat them. Foods from other cultures around the world could also be discussed.

Whilst cooking, you could encourage your child to spot any numbers in the recipe and help to measure, weigh and count out the ingredients.

### Websites

Support recognising rhyming words using this interactive game  
[http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=story\\_files/washing\\_line\\_rhyme\\_US.swf](http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=story_files/washing_line_rhyme_US.swf)

Support Phonics online

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### Things to make and things to do

Create a telescope (using a toilet roll/kitchen roll) to use whilst observing the sky.

Create Christmas cards and decorations ready to decorate your home.