



## Rye Community Primary School

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### Key Stage 1 - Autumn Term 2 Newsletter!



We hope that you were able to enjoy a restful half-term break. All key stage one children settled in beautifully last term and we are so looking forward to this busy term! Our new topic, 'Intrepid Explorers', will see us learning about people who have helped us see and been to more of our world and the universe beyond!



### English

This term, we are going to be writing letters and information texts. We'll write narrative stories and well as learn some fabulous poetry. Our key reading texts are 'The Way Back Home' and 'Beegu'.

### How You Can Help

There is a school expectation that all KSI children should read daily at home. Talk to them about what they are reading, ask them questions about the story, characters and plot. Perhaps they can they predict what will happen next?

Look at information texts with your child and look at the glossary and contents page to find out where you could locate more information.

Our focus this term is on punctuation and how we can use it in our writing.

### Maths

In Maths this term we will learn about calculation, beginning with addition and subtraction.

### How You Can Help

Practise counting to 100 and beyond then back again! Please also practise counting on in ones, twos, fives and tens.

How about starting counting on from numbers other than zero?

It would also be helpful to help your child practise the days of the week and months of the year in order, as well as being able to work out what the next day or day before is (e.g. What is the day after Thursday? What is the month called before June?)



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### Topic:

Ready for blast off! We will learn about the intrepid explorers who have expanded our knowledge of the world and beyond. We can't wait for the Planetarium to come to school on Wednesday 8th November!

### PE and Forest School

Clownfish - Tuesday (Forest School) and Friday (Indoor PE)  
Seahorses - Tuesday (Outdoor PE) and Thursday (Indoor PE)  
Sea Turtles - Thursday (Outdoor PE) and Friday (Indoor PE)

All PE kit and uniform should be named so they can be returned easily if they get found. Further details of school uniform can be found on the school website: <https://ryeprimary.co.uk/school/Uniform>

All classes will take part in Forest School over the course of the year. Children will need to bring in a long-sleeved t-shirt and trousers, water-proofs and wellington boots. Again, these items should be named to avoid getting them lost.

### Home Learning

In Key Stage 1, homework is set weekly. Reading Eggs and Maths Seeds tasks are set after school on a Friday and should be completed by the following Friday. You will have been sent the login details in your child's reading record book, but please ask their class teacher if you need them again! Any children who have been unable to complete their online homework tasks will be able to do their homework in the computer suite on a Friday lunchtime.

Spellings are also set on Fridays. They are posted on the class webpages, as well as on Class Dojo. The children write their spellings in a test the following Friday.

### Water Bottles and snacks

A hydrated brain is essential to learning! Please ensure that your child brings in a named water bottle. All key-stage 1 children are offered a healthy snack each day. They can also bring in their own healthy snack to have in snack time. It is really helpful if water bottles and fruit-tubs are named so they can be returned if they get lost.



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Due to severe nut-allergies, we are a nut-free school.

Please ensure all snacks and lunch box items are nut-free, including chocolate spreads and biscuits such as cereal bars. We are extremely appreciative of your support in this.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries. The easiest way to do so is by leaving a message with the office, or using the message facility on ClassDojo.

Thank you for your continued support.

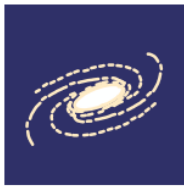
Mrs Leigh, Miss Brewster and Miss Birkby  
Sea Turtles', Clownfish and Seahorses' Teachers

Further information about our classes and learning, including timetables and home learning, can be found on our class webpages.

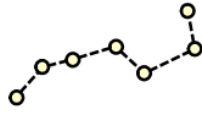
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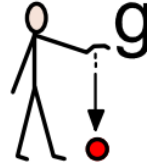
Word bank



galaxy



constellation



gravity



astronaut



moon



Pluto



Mars



Venus



Earth



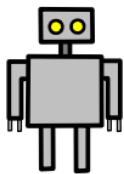
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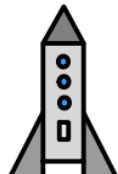
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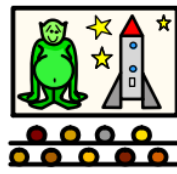
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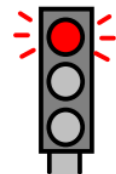
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rocket



science fiction



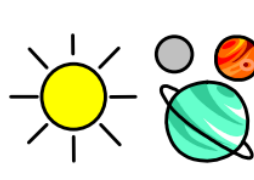
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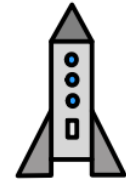
message



space



solar system



spaceship



specimen



UFO



star

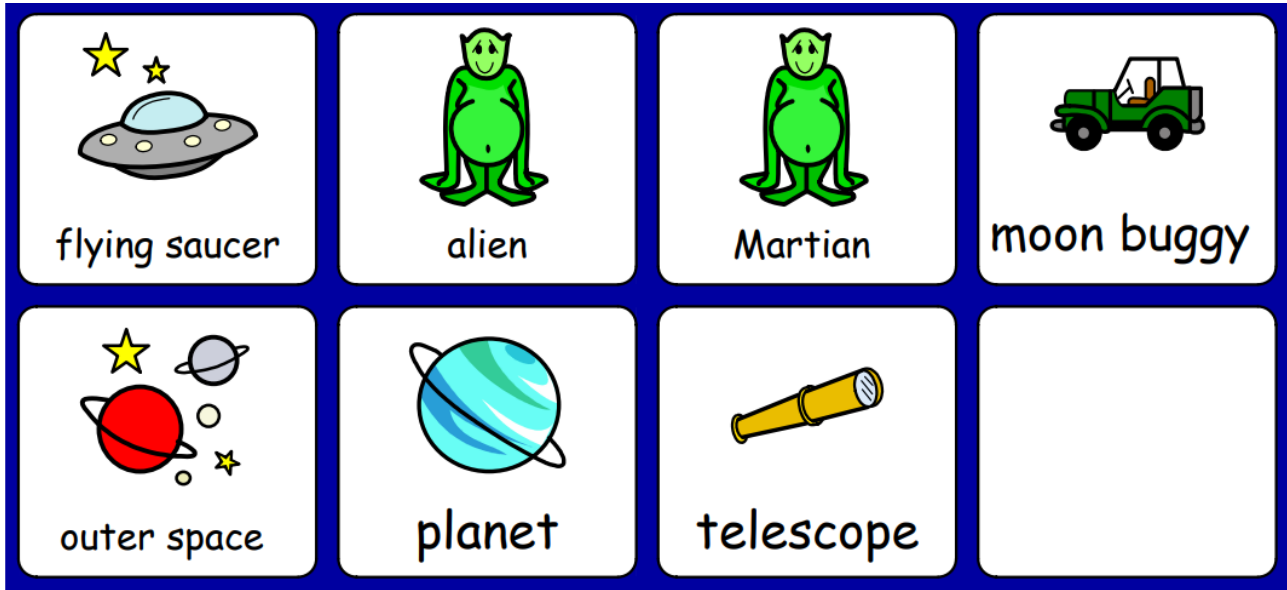


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## Glossary

<b>alien</b> A creature from another world.	<b>robot</b> A machine that can do different tasks. They may or may not look like humans.
<b>astronaut</b> A person who uses a spacecraft to travel.	<b>rocket</b> A vehicle or object that is launched into the sky and space by a powerful rocket engine.
<b>constellation</b> A group of stars that make up a pattern in the sky.	<b>science fiction</b> Stories about science or technology, often based in the future. They may or may not be about space and space travel.
<b>gravity</b> The force that pulls things to the ground on Earth and other planets.	<b>signal</b> An action or sound that is used to communicate.
<b>Martian</b> Someone or something from the planet Mars.	<b>solar system</b> A group of planets and moons that orbit (go around) a star.
<b>moon</b> A natural object that moves around a planet.	<b>space</b> The universe beyond Earth.
<b>moon buggy</b> A vehicle used by astronauts to explore the moon.	<b>star</b> A massive ball of burning gas that gives off light. The Sun is our nearest star.
<b>planet</b> A large round object in space that moves around the Sun or another star.	<b>universe</b> Everything that exists in space.



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## Year 1/2 Home Learning Challenges, Term 2- 'Intrepid Explorers'



1) Where would you most like to travel to and explore? Why? What and who would you take with you?



2) Write a diary entry. Imagine you are in space, the jungle or the Arctic. Write about what you have seen that day or who you have met.



3) How about making a model rocket ship to go on an adventure? You could use a tube or a plastic bottle.



4) Have a go at this explorers game:

[Play Back in time with... Exciting Explorers | Free Online History Game for Kids - BBC Bitesize](#)



5) Fancy a snack for your journey?! Why not try some of these Star Biscuits.

**See webpage for recipe**



6) Why not try making some fizzing space planets using bicarbonate of soda and vinegar.

**See webpage for instructions**



7) Why not become a Maths Explorer? Are you ready for the challenge?

**[Maths Explorers](#)**

8) Materials - What different types of materials do you know? What are their properties? Design and make a shelter for a toy explorer to protect them from the weather outside. What will you use? How will you put your materials together?



9) You are going to need some money to take on your journey! Practise counting and making different amounts.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/money>