



Abbey Hey Primary Academy

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Dear Parents,

During this term, Year 1's topic will be 'Space'. Attached to this letter is your child's Knowledge Organiser which contains key facts, vocabulary and information about your child's learning in class.

Our learning:

- In Reading, we will be looking at non-fiction texts on space and using the skill of inference to create a fact file on Neil Armstrong.
- In Writing, we will be reading the story 'Toys in Space' by Mini Grey and using adjectives to write a character description.
- In Maths, the children will be focussing on learning all number bonds within 20 and become fluent counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- In R.E. the children will be learning all about what it means to belong to a community.
- In P.E, the children will be playing outdoor games, working as a team and learning different skills.
- In PSHE, the children will be focusing on happy minds and how the brain works.
- In Art, the children will be studying the work of Vincent Van Gogh and recreating his 'The Starry Night'.
- In Music, the children will be listening to a variety of live recordings and playing tuned instruments.
- In computing, the children will be learning what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices and debug simple programs.
- In Geography, the children will be looking at aerial photographs of Gorton and studying our school and local area.

Please support your child at home in ensuring that they are reading each day independently and to you and they also have opportunities to listen to an adult read to them.

You can use the information on their Knowledge Organisers to test your child's recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you.

On the reverse side of this letter, you will find information about key dates coming up this term as well as details of your child's home learning projects.

Key dates for your diary

Friday 26th April – Year 1's Spacecraft Day

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 1 team



Have a toys' tea party and play musical statues or other party games. Make party hats for the toys' tea party.



Give your child some address labels to write and attach to some toys. When labelled your child could 'deliver' them to different rooms in the house/ people in the family.



Make a space picture-Give your child some black and white art materials to make a space picture with whirls, dots and dashes. For example using chalk on a chalkboard or white paint on black paper.



Research space travel. What it would be like to travel to the moon? Write a fact file, including everything you found out to



Make a collection of toys and have a go at describing them together for example 'a thoughtful green dinosaur.' Make a zigzag book or a simple origami book together to draw their toys and make captions with their descriptions of them.

Make an alien puppet using an old glove or mitten with stick on eyes and other details. Make up a new story together about your alien puppet. You could record the story so your child



can listen to it again.

Make a model solar system with labels.

