

Topic

We will be using the book Welcome to Alien School to

- learn about the similarities and differences between ourselves and others
- create alien self-portraits
- name and label the parts of the human body

As part of our space-themed topic we will also

- learn about the famous astronaut Neil Armstrong and his achievements
- design, make and evaluate a fruit salad for the different characters we have met during our topic

Phonics

We will begin by quickly revising the sounds from reception. We will then move onto Phase 5 sounds which will be the new Year 1 sounds. The children will learn to read and spell words which contain these sounds. We will also recap reading and writing the tricky words that they have previously covered.

Computing

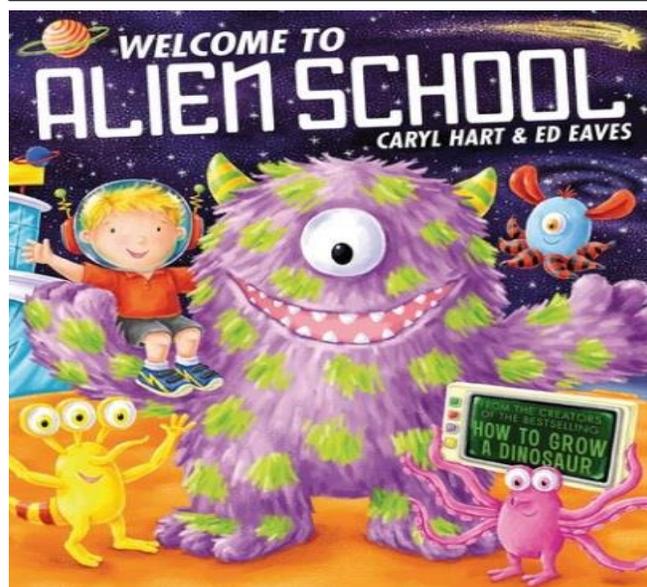
In computing this term we will be:

- learning all about the iPad skills test and iPad agreements so that we can get our iPad licences
- talking about e-safety and how to keep safe when using technology
- learning what algorithms are by making a visual recipe
- using iPads and iMovie to create a video recipe of our space fruit salad

Year 1

Autumn 1st Half Term

Here Come the Aliens!



English

English will include regular guided reading sessions once a week. Please listen to your child read for 10 minutes every day. We will:

- revise the alphabet; recap letter names and sounds as well as the formation of letters
- have regular story sessions and use a variety of texts, both non-fiction and fiction, to support learning in many areas of the curriculum
- look at writing simple sentences using a capital letter at the beginning, finger spaces between each word, a full stop at the end

Maths

Throughout Year 1 there will be a continued focus on reasoning and problem solving. We will also encourage the children to explain how they have found their answer.

This half-term we will be focusing on place value:

- Counting to 10
- Counting objects to 10
- Writing to 10
- Counting back to 0
- Comparing numbers of objects
- Ordering numbers
- Comparing numbers

We will then move onto addition with numbers to 10:

- Number bonds
- Adding with number bonds
- Adding by counting on
- Completing number sentences
- Solving picture problems

PE

We will have PE on Thursdays with Mrs. Stratton and on Fridays with our class teacher. This term Year 1 will be working on fundamentals and multi-skills, with a focus on balance and coordination.

Please ensure your child has a **named PE kit** in school every day. This should include; a t-shirt, jumper, shorts, tracksuit bottoms and plimsolls or trainers.