



Introduction to our topic

Our world is an amazing place and is home to many incredible people and creatures.

This term the children in Dragonfly Class will be introduced to Albie the alien. He is from the Moon, has recently arrived in Pensford and wants to find out about us and our planet. We will start the year by writing letters to Albie all about us, our families and where we live. The children will also use atlases to locate the different countries and continents in the world and learn about the people that live there.

In science, we will be finding out about some of the Earth's smallest creatures (minibeasts) and the children in Dragonfly Class will go on a minibeast hunt. We'll learn how to categorise minibeasts, make detailed drawings of insects and we'll make bug homes using natural materials. Using what we've learned, we'll write an interesting minibeast report which can be shared with our alien friend.

We will also learn about a human who visited the Moon (Neil Armstrong) and at the end of our topic we will create rockets which will take Albie back to his home.

Our key learning this term

Personal and social development	Our school value for the term is togetherness. In our PSHE lessons we will thinking about friendships and how important they are in making us feel happy and secure. As a part of out RSE curriculum we will be identifying some of the people who are special to us and we will be able to explain why they are special. We will also be talking about safe and unsafe secrets and we will be able to recognise the importance of telling someone we trust about secrets that make us feel unsafe or uncomfortable.
Oracy and literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facts about ourselves - Character descriptions - Fairy- tales (based on Three Little Pigs) - Report about minibeasts
Problem solving and maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Place value - Addition and Subtraction
Technology	To start the year we will be learning basic computer skills which will include how to log on and off a computer, to use a mouse or trackpad and to launch an application. Once the children are secure with these basic computer skills, we will be learning about online

	safety. The children will also be introduced to the school website and learn how to navigate it to find resources.
Science	We will be learning about minibeasts in science. The children will describe the conditions in different habitats and micro-habitats (under log, on stony path, under bushes) and find out how the conditions affect the number and type(s) of plants and animals that live there. The children will also work scientifically to sort and classify different minibeasts.
The Arts (Art & Design, Music, Drama)	We will draw detailed sketches of people and minibeasts. We will develop a wide range of art and design techniques including using pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.
Humanities (RE, History, Geography)	In our History lessons, we will be learning about Neil Armstrong and the amazing achievement of the first moon landing. We will find out the date of the first moon landing, discover what it is like on the moon and learn facts about Neil Armstrong. In our Geography lessons, we will use world maps, atlases and globes to identify different countries, continents and oceans. We will also learn about Thailand and compare it to Pensford. We will be learning about special places in RE particularly focusing on Christianity and Hinduism.
P.E.	In PE we will be focusing on coordination. The children will be working on catching and throwing and applying these skills to some games.
Modern Foreign Language this term	Our language of the term will be Spanish. In our lessons we will learn numbers to 20 and we will learn how to greet each other.
Activity Passport Experiences	
<p>This term we will have an opportunity to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Go litter picking in and around the school. ✓ Go on a minibeast hunt. ✓ Create bug hotels using natural resources 	