
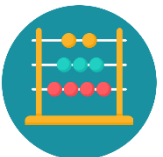




	 <p>English</p>	<p>This week we have continued enjoying the book 'Look Up!' by Nathan Bryon. We have also read some other books about Space and about Mae Jemison. We thoroughly enjoyed Mae Among The Stars by Roda Ahmed. We have enjoyed being authors and making our own little books about Mae Jemison and her flight into Space on board Endeavour. At the moment, we are focussing on developing our confidence to write and writing longer pieces of writing.</p>
	 <p>Reading</p>	<p>This week we have been doing assessments in class. Myself and Mrs Powell have been going through the tricky words for each phase and seeing which words the children can read and which words need more practice. Your child will have a new folder which contains flashcards with the words that your children needs to learn. Please spend some time over half term practising reading these words. REMEMBER tricky words are words which cannot be sounded out, therefore the children have to learn to recognise them.</p>
	 <p>Phonics</p>	<p>This week we have continued Phase 4 of our phonics programme. The focus this week has been on reading and spelling two syllable words with adjacent phoneme, such as, classroom, desktop etc. We have practised breaking them into two syllables and spelling them part by part. We have also assessed the children in their phonics up to, and including, phase 4. The children are doing really well and we are gradually filling the gaps left through the lockdown.</p>
	 <p>Maths</p>	<p>This week we have not had Maths lessons as we have been assessing the children in reading and spelling. We have spent time revising our maths skills through activities in our continuous provision. We also made 3D pictures of the space shuttle Endeavour and we have ordered the numbers 10, backwards to 1 – The children worked really hard doing this and enjoyed the challenge of counting backwards.</p>
	 <p>Foundation Subjects</p>	<p>This week we have continued learning about Space. We have been learning all about the space shuttle Endeavour and how it works. This is a great video to watch on YouTube to explain the workings of a space shuttle. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cFBRawYov00&t=10s We have also been learning about Helen Sharman and comparing her and Mae Jemison, two female astronauts who beat adversity to achieve their dreams of going to space.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Homework and Messages</p>	 <p>Homework</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The children all have reading books in their book bags. Please read with your child for 10/15 minutes every day. • Please continue to ensure your child accesses Fast Phonics regularly. • The children have started using Purple Mash in school – We have included their log in details in their homework folder. Please could your child access Purple Mash and do the activity assigned. They will need to go into the 2do dropdown menu to find the activity. • After half term we will learning about Neil Armstrong. Please could your child find out some information about him and make something to display in the classroom about him.
	 <p>Messages</p>	<p>If you need to contact me, please send any emails to the office@hollickwood.barnet.sch.uk account.</p> <p>It was lovely to catch up with all of you during the phone consultations and getting to what to you about your child and how they are doing ! Thanks for making the most of this unusual situation.</p> <p>Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Neal and Mrs Powell</p>