



Dear parents and carers,

A very warm welcome to Year 2! We are absolutely delighted to have your child join us for what promises to be a very exciting and fulfilling year.

Each term, we will be sending out Year 2 newsletter, providing important information about the term ahead, a glimpse into our current learning, and

This is an important year where the children will learn new knowledge and skills but will also begin to develop greater independence. We are looking forward to a productive year ahead.

Kind regards,
Mrs Carter - Year 2 Leader and the year 2 team

P.E

PE days for all classes are Monday and Wednesday.

Please send your child in their PE Kit on these days.



Autumn Term 1 Topic :Moon to Mars

In this topic, children will: develop an understanding of space exploration history by placing the Apollo 11 mission within a basic timeline of key events in space travel. They recognise changes over time in the design of rockets, shuttles, and other equipment, and can discuss differences between "a long time ago" and "now." Children explore the variety of roles required for a successful space mission and describe the personal qualities and skills astronauts need—such as bravery, fitness, and teamwork—explaining their importance to achievements like landing on the Moon. They also understand that the USA and USSR competed fiercely during the Space Race to be the best in space technology, rather than engaging in direct fighting.

****I can identify who is significant in furthering knowledge of space***

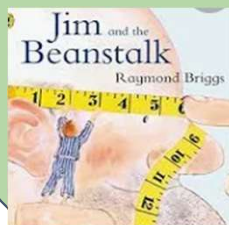
**** I can talk about how space travel has changed over time and what factors have made space travel possible.***

If you have any resources that would be useful to our learning , please contact your class teacher.

English

We will be focusing on the texts Jim and the Beanstalk, Patten's Pumpkin and The True Story of the Three little pigs .

Children will be continuing to gather new vocabulary, work on grammar and use these skills to enhance their own writing.



History vocabulary

Glossary

Astronaut



A person who is trained to travel in a spacecraft

NASA



National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Apollo 11



The name of the mission to the moon

Shuttle



A form of transport that travels between two places

Launch

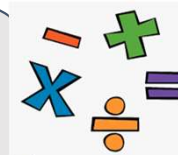


To send something out, such as a new ship into the water or a spacecraft into space:

Maths

Our topics this term are

- Numbers to 100
- Addition and subtraction



Spellings

These words are quite tricky. Please practice them at home .

Launch
Astronaut
Space
Orbit



Website

Please check out our website and in particular the school news section. This showcases the learning we have been doing and links to activities for different subjects

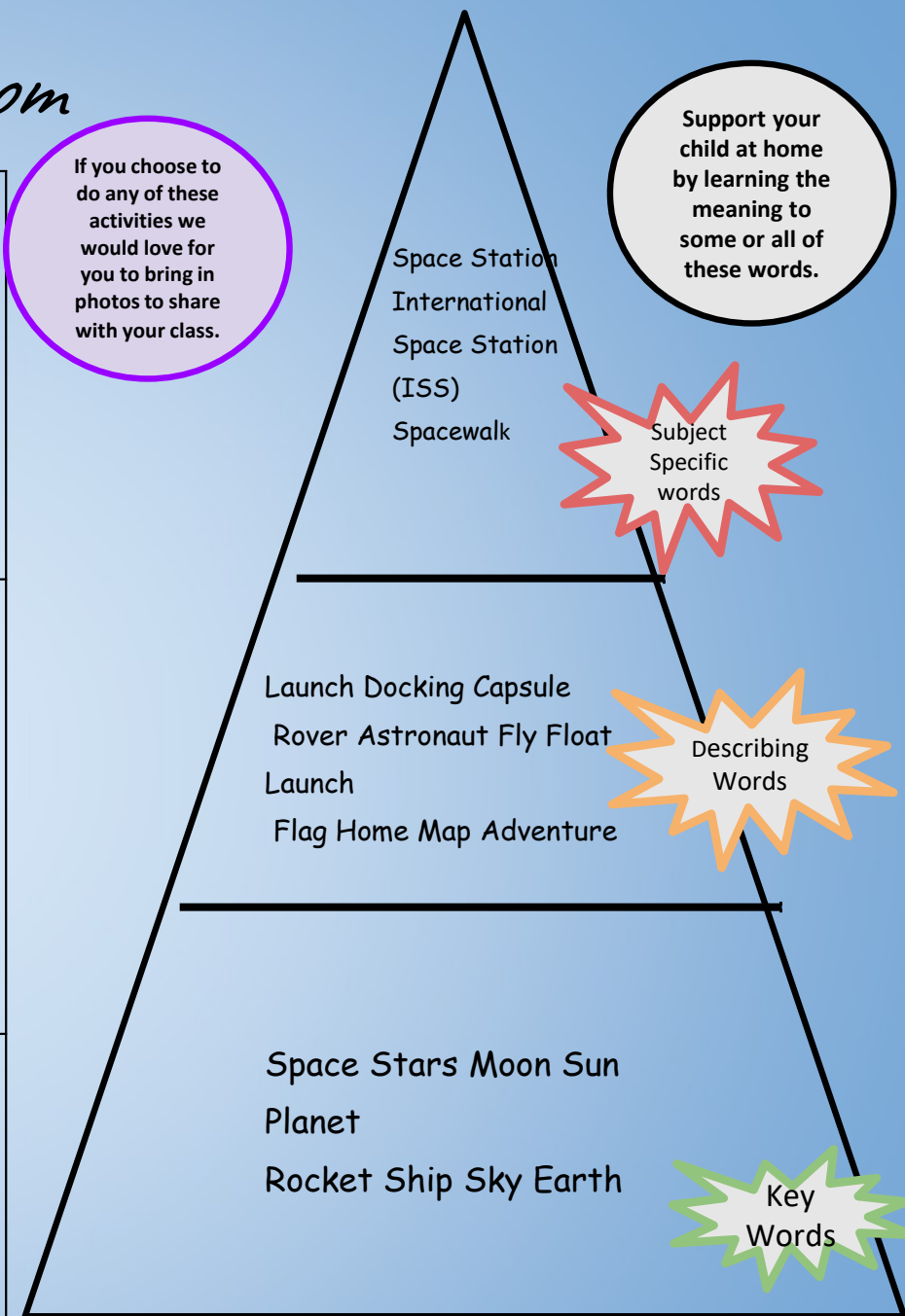
<https://www.southfarnborough-inf.hants.sch.uk/school-news>

Optional Learning Beyond the Classroom

Creative Activities	Oreo Moon Phases: Twist open biscuits and scrape the cream to replicate the changing shapes of the Moon. Tin Foil Crater Prints: Crumple foil into a ball, dip it in grey paint, and stamp textured lunar surfaces onto black paper. Aluminium Foil Moon Men: Sculpt shiny astronaut figures using kitchen foil to test material flexibility and molding.
Things to do	- Visit science museum in Winchester - Watch a planetarium show either online or at a planetarium - Watch the moon landing on youtube
Research	Go to the library and research different astronauts

If you choose to do any of these activities we would love for you to bring in photos to share with your class.

Support your child at home by learning the meaning to some or all of these words.



Words to help with my learning