

Spring 1 2025-2026

Dolphins EYFS Home Learning Grid

New Phonics sounds to be sent home on a Thursday. These sounds have been previously taught to the children.

Topic Space

Personal, Social & Emotional Development	Communication and Language	Physical Development	English	Mathematics	Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Designs
<u>Talking about emotions</u> Talk about the different emotions you maybe feeling. Can you explain what makes you feel happy, sad, angry and excited.	<u>Vocabulary</u> These are some of the words we will be using this half term. Try and use these in daily conversation. - Space, Orbit, Planets, Earth, rings, rockets, ice.	<u>Movement</u> Can you practise your balancing skills? Can you balance on one leg or walk along a bench or practise your climbing on a climbing frame?	<u>Letter formation</u> Can you practice writing the sounds we have learnt last term; d,l,e,v,f,k,b <u>Reading</u> Can you read words by blending and segmenting sounds we have learnt? Can you build and read words with the sounds we have sent home?	<u>Counting songs and rhymes</u> Five little men in a flying saucer. Can you count amounts to 20?	<u>Space</u> What can you find out about space? Find out about the different planets. Which is your favourite planet?	<u>Painting</u> Can you create your own Jackson Polack painting? Can you create your own space picture?

Communication and Language

Build up vocabulary that reflects knowledge and experience e.g., Children can talk about space, what they know about it, what an astronaut does, how we know about space

Use different tenses to discuss things that are happening now and things that happened in the past, and things that happened a very long time ago.

Ask relevant questions to find out more information e.g. when sharing a non-fiction text children can say 'I wonder why...'

Share opinions, explaining preferences e.g. My favourite planet is... because...

English

Fiction & Non-fiction texts about space.

Emergent writing; encourage short words or phrases in different writing contexts, e.g. in free flow or in a structured lesson.

List writing

Reading words through sound blending.

Provide opportunities for emergent writing (with ongoing provision for mark making) e.g. writing letters of children's names in paint, sand, with water and brushes, tracing activities, rubbing activities, whiteboards and pens, clipboards outside etc.

Focus on letter formation in line with handwriting policy

End of Spring 1 Sounds-write unit - 8

Key Vocabulary - Space, Orbit, Planets, Earth, rings, rockets, ice.

Mathematics

Counting to 10

Composition of 2,3,4

Composition of 5,6,7

Comparing numbers

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Space
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Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Including everyone; diversity within our school and the wider community

To show an understanding of their own emotions and how to express all emotions.

Physical Development

Gross Motor Skills

Invasion games, throwing and catching

Balance- standing on one leg, walking along a bench, climbing.

Fine Motor Skills

Small tools; cutlery, tweezers, pipettes, scissors

Drawing and painting,

Expressive Arts and Designs

Exploring line.

Taking a line for a walk.

Creating drip paintings like Jackson Pollock.

Creating pictures like Hundertwasser using spirals and curved lines.

Listening to and responding to Holst's Planet Suite

Special Weeks –
Multicultural Week
19/01/2026.

Understanding the World

Our planet Earth, land and sea, plants and animals, weather, gravity.

The moon, the sun, the planets in our solar system, space travel, astronauts.

Seasons of the year: Spring. The first signs of spring; snowdrops, cherry blossom, buds and flowers, birds nesting, bees, lighter evenings.

People who looked at the stars; Galileo.

Traditional stories to explain the stars e.g. The hunting of the Great Bear

What scientists and astronomers know about our Solar System now; our sun, the planets in our solar system.

The Moon landings; Neil Armstrong

The International Space Station; when and why it was built and launched
Astronauts and Astronomers; including Mae Jaimeson, Tim Peak, Caroline Hershel.