



Torridon
Primary School

Reading

Phonics lessons will take place every morning, and we will also have daily guided reading lessons. Through these sessions, children will have lots of opportunities to increase their independence and confidence by building on their decoding strategies, adding to their banks of sight-read words and starting to talk about books, stories and characters.

Writing

This half term we will be learning about the moon and writing information about it. We will also be exploring the first ever human moon landing and writing a news report about it. We will write a recipe for a very unusual sandwich (for the aliens!) and correspond with Bob and his friends as they do their jobs across the Solar System.

Mathematics

In maths, we will be exploring the 'tens' and 'ones' that make numbers to 100, using a range of practical resources, then apply this to help us double and halve numbers beyond 12, more easily. We will continue to practise telling the time and start to investigate capacity and weight.

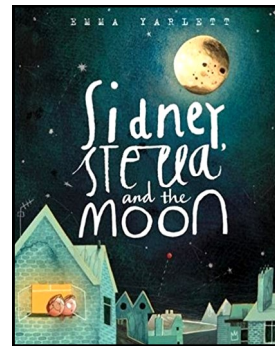
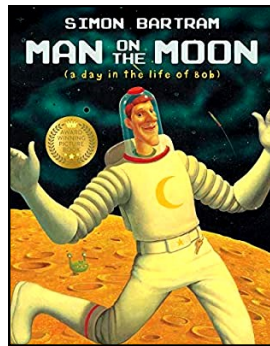
Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Nikki

Teaching Staff: Gemma, Mariam, Nikki

Support Staff: Shanusha, Maria, Miles, Sabrina, Heather, Lydia, Pam

Fly Me to the Moon



Supporting Your Child's Learning

We will be sending home phonics words to practise reading alongside reading books in order to help children gain confidence in phonics as well as fluency in reading. Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis. Alongside their weekly phonics e-books, children will bring home physical reading books which should be read more than once to learn new words. You will find questions in the back of many of the books which will help children improve their comprehension skills. Please also use the login details in your child's reading record to access Mathletics.

Year 1

Spring 1 2022

Science

In science, we will be continuing our learning about seasonal change; looking at how plants and the weather change with the seasons. We will also continue to develop our knowledge of the properties of materials, including finding out what the moon is made of.

History

In history, we will be exploring the moon landings and all things space! Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins will be our focus, along with Katherine Johnson, the 'human computer', who calculated the flight path to the moon for Apollo 11 and who helped send many more astronauts to space.

PSHE

This half term, our PSHE focus will be 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be exploring some of the ways in which we can set simple and achievable goals. We will also be identifying any obstacles that we might face when trying to achieve our goals and discussing strategies to overcome these challenges.

PE

Year 1 will have **Dance** and **Yoga** on **Fridays** and **PE** on **Tuesdays**. Our PE focus for this half term is Multi-skills.

Please ensure that your child comes in to school wearing their PE uniform on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Dance

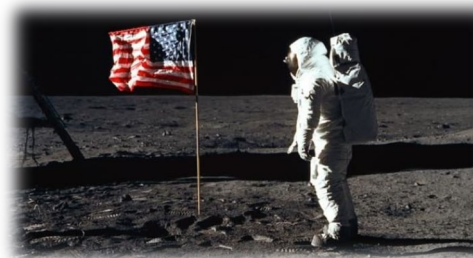
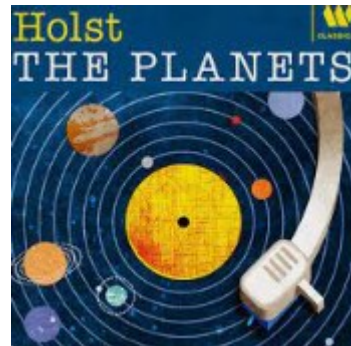
This term, we will become space heroes performing and exploring movement patterns and respond to a range of stimulus.

Art

Taking inspiration from the illustrations of Beatrix Potter, Year One will be experimenting with the medium of ink. We will be making our own mark-making tools and using them to make different marks before experimenting with a range of drawing techniques and creating final drawings in our sketch-books.

DT

The children will be putting their design skills to the test, as they design, create and evaluate their own interactive moon scenes using sliders to make moving aliens, rockets or planets.



Music

During our space topic we will be listening to a variety of different space themed music: Sprach Zarathustra – Strauss, Planet Suite – Gustav Holst and Apollo 13 – James Horner. We will use percussion instruments to create a soundscape of the Apollo 11 rocket as it took off for the Moon.

RE

During RE this half term our focus will be Belonging and looking closer at the religion of Islam. While exploring the theme of belonging we will learn how special places, such as a Mosque, can bring a deeper sense of belonging. We will be learning about the different features of a Mosque and how we can be respectful in different places of worship.

Computing

We will be revisiting typing, this half term, as they write facts about the moon on our laptops, but this time, children will have the opportunity to use the change the look of text using 'bold', 'italic' and 'underline' as well as changing the font. They will also learn to double-click and drag to select parts of a text.