

Reception – Spring Term Topic Overview

Communication & Language

- Roleplay area (airport, rocket, hot air balloon)
- Explain tasks to an alien

Physical Development

- Tweezers, threading
- Throwing/catching balls/aeroplanes/etc.
- Balance Bikes
- Large skipping rope
- Climbing up trees

Personal, social and emotional development

- Holidays that you have enjoyed
- Feelings – going to space
- Understanding others' feelings
- God - heaven

Literacy

Books:

- Jack and the Beanstalk
- Up, up and away – Tom McLaughlin
- The Cloudspotter - Tom McLaughlin
- How to catch a star – Oliver Jeffers
- The Way Back Home – Oliver Jeffers
- Up and Down – Oliver Jeffers
- Aliens Love Underpants – Claire Freedman
- Goodnight Spaceman – Michelle Robinson
- The Great Balloon Hullabaloo – Pete Bently
- I am Amelia Earhart – Brad Meltzer
- Roaring Rockets – Tom Mitton
- Amazing Aeroplanes – Tom Mitton

- Alien speech bubbles
- Writing postcards
- Match countries to picture (writing)
- Label a rocket



Expressive arts and design

- Design and make a kite
- Junk model rockets
- Paper aeroplanes
- Design an alien
- Paint space pictures
- Cotton wool cloud images

Maths

During the majority of Maths lessons the Whiterose Scheme will be followed.

Additional topic links:

- Counting objects in the sky (stars, birds, clouds, etc.)
- Measuring how far paper aeroplanes fly
- Measuring how high rockets launch

Understanding the world

- Up and down
- Flying kites
- Aeroplanes and destinations
- Rockets and space
- Floating and sinking (up and down)
- Amelia Earhart

School Visits/Visitors:

- Pilot visit
- Inflatable space dome (wonderdome)