

Lower Foundation Stage Curriculum Links

Summer 1

Out of this world



Enrichment:

Astronauts (Airedale Academy drama group)

Expressive Art & Design

- Moon and star shaped biscuits
- Space soup (using chocolate and strawberry angel delight and jelly bug sweets)
- Junk model rockets
- Paper mache planets
- Listen to 'planets' by Holst

Provision Links

- Art/Craft Area – Space themed colouring in sheets.
- Investigation Area – Shower gel gloop with materials added as 'space debris.'
- DT- Flying saucers using Muller yoghurt tubs (add dough aliens).

Understand the World

- Space
- Similarities and differences between landscapes
- Rockets

Provision Links

- Outside construction – Junk modelling bits and bobs and tools in a space rocket repair and refuel station.
- DT – Make star telescopes out of kitchen roll tubes.
- Small World – Provide a 'different planets terrain' by using plastic junk modelling as craters or mountains and red or green dyed gloop in a tuff spot. Add Small World aliens and rockets.

Mathematics

- 5 Little Men number rhyme
- Zoom, zoom, zoom, we're going to the moon number rhyme
- Rocket game by Orchard toys
- Counting backwards (rocket count down and blast off)
- 3D shaped rockets
- Rocket and planet matching activity
- Comparing heights of rockets - taller/shorter - Data handling

Provision Links

- Maths area – Collect and count space junk (milk bottle tops), hang numbered underwear on a washing line and order 1-5/10.
- Play dough – Make and count aliens, add different number of eyes/antenna etc.
- Water – Basic water play.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- Re-establishing rules and routines
- Read 'Goodnight Moon' and discuss who the children say 'good night' to
- Play space hide and seek

Provision Links

- Water Tray – Basic water play.
- Sand Tray – Provide camera to photograph creations (space landing platforms).

Communication & Language

- Play 'find the alien' with positional language posters
- Retell the story Goodnight Moon using props
- Read the story of Roaring Rockets and sound out and talk about each of the parts on the rocket and what jobs they do

Provision Links

- Role play – Space station role play, include an old lap top and dressing up costumes.
- Sand Area – Moonscape sand tray, add space buggies and rockets, build a landing platform out of junk and silver foil.
- Reading area – Props to retell stories, books to enhance topic.

Physical Development

- Split pin astronauts
- Experimenting with different ways of moving in space environment
- Using equipment safely
- Manipulating materials

Provision Links

- Play dough – Provide space play dough mats and florescent or silver dough.
- Writing Area – Space themed pencil control sheets.
- Outdoors – Cover bricks in silver foil as space debris.
- Construction – Provide K'nex to make launch pads, add glow sticks.

Literacy

- Window picture – draw what they see in the night sky
- Label a rocket cut and stick activity
- Alien writing (rubber gloves/black paper/glitter and fluorescent paint/finger painting)

Possible Book Links

- Goodnight Moon
- Aliens Love Underpants
- Whatever Next
- Roaring Rockets
- Toys in Space
- The Dinosaur that Pooped a Planet!
- Q Pootle 5 (in Space)
- The First Hippo on the Moon
- What's Out There? A Book about Space
- How to Catch a Star

Provision Links

- Writing Area – provide passports to space writing frames (use ink and stamps to mark the planets you have visited).
- Reading Area – Books about space.