

Topic Plan Wonderful World Jan – Mar 2023

Topic Wonderful World	Understanding the World	Outdoors Forest School	Cooking	EAD	Creative Writing	Weekly learning objectives
Week 1 Settling in	What is in space? Read books about space and aliens.	Exploring new outdoor space. Snack outside	Crackers and cheese: hygiene rules and good manners.	Making thank you cards. Singing space songs 5 little men in a flying saucer etc.	Holiday diary Adjectives describing presents	Know that space is above the sky and that our planet is floating in space.
Week 2 Rockets and space exploration	How did men reach the moon? Lunar landings: watch and discuss.	Making moon prints on the playground. Footprints in mud.	Toast spreading and eating.	Build role play rocket. Sing: polish up the space ship	List of things to take to space Rocket outline	Know that people landed on the moon, but nowhere else in space.
Week 3	How can we move around in space? Videos of mars rover etc	Marking out areas for new provision. Deciding what we want in our forest.	Dried food to take to space...noodles	Add wires and electrics. Make a circuit and label buttons and switches. Make sound effects for different buttons.	Labelling buttons. Write instructions for rocket. Word bank	Know how we can remotely explore other planets and some of the findings

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Week 4 Planets	Big planet jigsaw and solar system pictures. Explore the different planets	Cut and plant willow from big willow den.	Sticky biscuit planets?	Coffee filter paper planets. Choose colours according to appearance of different planets. Songs from the sea/mountains	Letter from an alien. What is your planet like? Write a reply about planet earth.	Know the names of some planets and the conditions on them depending on their proximity to the sun.
Week 5	The Blue Planet Look at Earth from space. Identify water and mountains.		Rolling balls: cheese dough child led cooking.	Recycling projects: Paper making, bird feeders, etc	Write about your own planet that you have made	Know that Earth is the only planet that sustains life.
Week 6 Night and day	Why does the weather change? Learn about the sun and heat and the water cycle.	Big fire, learn fire safety rules and cook snack.		Recycling projects: Paper making, bird feeders, etc	Ways to look after the planet: Posters Weather diary for homework	Be able to describe and talk about weather and some environmental issues
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Week 7 Weather	Why does the weather change? Learn about the sun and heat and the water cycle.	Tree planting to extend forest area.		Free choice making	Diary of holiday	Be able to describe and talk about weather and some environmental issues
Week 8 Solar system and stars	Look at stars and galaxies and imagine what might be out there.	Night camera, record what comes into woods	Starry biscuits, make and decorate Roll and cut	Star lights with jam jars...make holes in black paper and light with tea lights. Dough stars to hang? Paint and glitter. Free making.	Whatever Next Visit to the moon stories.	To know that there are more galaxies beyond ours and the stars go on forever.
Week 9	How do we know Spring has arrived?	Looking for signs of spring Record in book		Observed drawing of flowers.	Favourite weather poems. Write a poem about your favourite weather.	Know changes that happen when Spring arrives.
Week 10	What can we plant in our garden this year?	Preparing raised beds for planting.	Make a tuff tray garden.	Planting bulbs and seeds for garden/classroom.	Make a list of vegetables to grow.	Describe the growth of a seed.

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Week 11 & 12 Spring/Eas ter	Who is special to us and why?		Baking scones for mummies	Mothers day and Easter crafts	Mothers day/Easter cards and messages	Know the Easter story and why Christians celebrate Easter
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