



Hawks Class Autumn 2021 Second Half Term



Greetings space cadets, we hope you had a relaxing half term break! We are very excited about our topic for this half term which will focus on Space. As part of this we have some very exciting things planned including our trip to the South Downs Planetarium tomorrow, our star gazing evening (information will be released nearer to the time), and an exciting surprise happening next week. As discussed at parents evening, we really appreciate all the support you give your children at home, as this enables them to make far greater progress in school. If you have any questions, please come and speak to me or contact the school office to arrange a phone call.

Mrs Blamire

English

To link with our space topic, we will look be looking at explanation texts and creating our own rover to go and explore a distant planet (explaining how it works!). To help us with this, we will be using the book 'Curiosity - The story of the Mars Rover' by Markus Motum. There are also many more books about space which you may want to explore with your children.

Maths

In maths this half term we will be focussing on:

- Multiplication and Division
- Using mental methods to multiply and divide
- Perimeter and Area

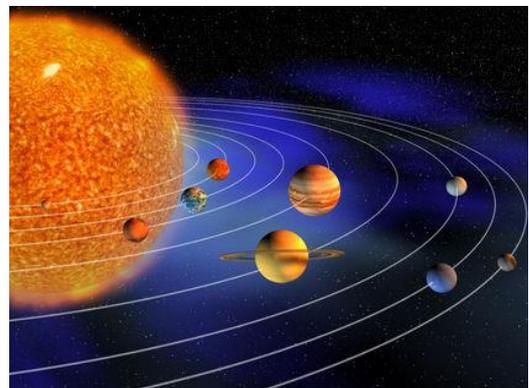


As you can see, all of these units we are studying this half term require an excellent knowledge of times tables. The more practice your child has of their times tables, the greater their confidence will be in the lessons. This can be done by ensuring your child regularly practices their 'Minute a Day Games'. Your child uses Times Tables Rockstars in school which can also be used at home to embed their multiplication knowledge (login details are in their homework books).

Science

Our work in science this term will focus on the solar system, in particular, the planets, the phases of the moon and day and night. The following website provides lots of useful information and fun activities to support your child in their learning:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkbbkqt>



PE

In PE this half-term we will be learning the skills needed for Badminton and Hockey. The children have P.E every Monday and Friday afternoon, please ensure your child has their full P.E kit in school on a Monday and take it home to wash on a Friday.