

**INFORMATION MEETING FOR PARENTS
OF CHILDREN IN YEAR 2: Wednesday
28th Sep'11 from 7 ~8pm**

Key Question

**What is beyond
the sky?**

Mathematical Understanding

We will be learning to use numbers and measures accurately.
We will be looking at the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.
We will be looking at the phases of the moon as fractions.
We will be looking at position and direction in relation to the solar system.

Home Task:
Please help your child to learn their 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Science and Technological Understanding

Enrichment: Planetarium

We will be applying practical skills to design, make and improve our own space themed vehicles, such as rockets and moon buggies.
We will explore the science behind a rocket being launched.
In ICT we will learn to save, edit and retrieve our work as well as learning how to make our own space animation using Powerpoint.

Understanding English, Communication and languages

This half term we will be looking at non - fiction books to research about space and the solar system. We will explore the use of pages such as contents, index and glossary, as well as features such as diagrams, charts and photos.
As well as enjoying a range of Space themed poems and stories, we will also look at how we can further develop our story writing skills.

SPACE

Year 2
Autumn Term 1
2011



Home Task:
Please share books, research on the internet and talk about space.

Historical, Geographical and social Understanding

As well as books, we will be using the internet to investigate and research the past.
We will learn about the great space race and famous astronauts such as Neil Armstrong and our own Sheffield astronaut Helen Sharman.
We will be using geographical skills to map out the galaxy, noting the different planets' various features and characteristics.

Understanding the arts

From lunar landscapes to water colour planets, we will be using a range of techniques, materials, approaches and media to make a variety of space themed artwork.
Singing: this half term we will learn a variety of space songs, as well as learning to sing in different styles, such as rounds.
We will be listening to the classical music of Holst's the Planets.

Home Task:
Please talk to your child about their own belief or faith.

Religious Education

Enrichment: Mosque visit

This half term we will be learning about the five pillars of the Islamic faith.

Understanding physical development, health and wellbeing

In PE we will be creating, composing and choreographing dance movements and sequences to represent astronauts, rockets and aliens in space!
SEAL: New Beginnings - We will be continuing our Investors in Pupils work by developing our own class target, class rules and revisiting the friendship charter.