Lostock Primary School

The Big Picture

Reception Autumn 2 (2026-27)

Can we visit space?



Communication and Language

We will be learning and using new vocabulary.

We will be following instructions carefully.

We will be asking questions to find out more.

We will be listening to and talking about stories to show a deep understanding.

Personal and Social Development

We will be learning to express our feelings and consider the feelings of others.

We will be learning how to resolve conflict with each other with kind words.

We will begin to show resilience and perseverance.

We will continue to build constructive and respectful relationships with others.

We will learn to work as a team to achieve a common goal.

Physical Development

We will be developing our fine motor skills in various ways:

- writing
- painting
- threading
- zipping and buttoning coats

We will be developing our gross motor skills by climbing, throwing, catching, kicking, rolling and running.

We will be continuing to learn new dance and gymnastic routines.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about the history of Bonfire Night.

We will be learning about the festivals that are celebrated in the UK and beyond.

We will be thinking about the time of year as the seasons change and turn into winter.

We will be learning about Mae Jemison and the work that astronauts do.

We will be making observations of different arctic animals and drawing pictures of them.

We will be learning about space and the planets that are in the Solar System.

Literacy

We will continue to learn Phase 2 sounds and begin to learn Phase 3.

We will be learning to segment and blend sounds to read words that match our phonic ability.

We will be continuing to refine our letter/number formation and name writing.

We will write lists, captions and sentences about space and our inspirational person: Mae Jemison.

Mathematics

We will be deepening our knowledge of number to 10 through counting, ordinality and cardinality.

We will match, sort and compare.

We will be naming and investigating shapes – circles and triangles.

We will begin to investigate measure and patterns.

We will begin to investigate composition – whole and part.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be using different materials to make all things space including Space Stations, rockets and planets.

We will be making firework/space pictures.

We will be experimenting with different materials and techniques to create our pictures.

We will be learning songs for the nativity and thinking about how songs make us feel.