



We have had another packed two weeks in year 5! The children have continued to settle brilliantly and adjust to the new routines of year 5.

We continue to explore place value of larger numbers in maths and have explored rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. English sees us begin a new unit where the children will be writing the opening of an exciting space narrative.

Writing—Non-Chronological reports

The children have spent the past three weeks learning about and writing non-chronological reports. They have used their space knowledge to write a report about Mars and then independently produced another about Jupiter. They have enjoyed sharing their knowledge in 'Did you know?' boxes.

Did you know that Earth could fit 1400 times into the size of Jupiter?

Books Wanted!

We are looking to expand our class libraries and would very much welcome donations of age appropriate books in decent condition (they don't need to be perfect!). If you have any that would be suitable, please send them in with your child or drop them into the office. Donations would be gratefully received.

Homework Expectations

- **Reading** - at least four times a week
- **Spelling Shed** x 30 minutes
- **Maths** - TTRockstars/(Numbots) x 30 minutes

We really appreciate your continued support with this!

Upcoming Events/Topics

Monday 3rd October—individual and sibling photographs

W.c. 10th October - Bikeability (groups TBC)

W.c. 17th October - 'Positive Potions' (Harry Potter themed)

W.c. 7th November - 'Let Battle Commence' (Anglo Saxons and Vikings)

W.c. 12th December - *What message did the angels bring?*

Intergalactic Investigators

We have continued our investigation of the Solar System, learning about gravity and its affect on the Earth. We measured the weight and mass of different objects. Mass is measured in kilograms (kg) and weight is measured in Newtons (N).

Planetarium visitor

On Thursday 22nd September, we had a visit from a planetarium. We all enjoyed a guided tour of our solar system and learnt so much about why we have seasons, why we have day and night and we even learnt about the Artemis project which hopes to put people back on the moon in the next ten years.



Music inspired by 'The Planets' composed by Gustav Holst.

Between 1914 and 1917 the composer, Gustav Holst composed a suite of music called, 'The Planets'. Each piece was inspired by a different plane. We listened to each piece and discussed what we liked about it and why. We tried to identify the different textures of the music and which instruments were used. The children also commented on the pitch and tempo. We were inspired to compose our own music which portrayed our own imagined planets. Scan the code to listen to Grace's composition.

