

Year 1 Term 5 Space Topic

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children in Year 1 will be learning about Space in Term 5. Here are a few resources to help your child's learning about this exciting topic.

As an overview here is a good place to start

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/space.html>

Astronauts: The children are going to be learning about what astronauts do and need to go into space. They could use a mix of story and factual accounts.

The story of Bob the Man on the Moon is our lead text.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rt5zQ1UO6rE>

Here is a website that shows good videos about real life astronauts on the International Space Station.

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/videos/astronauts.html>

The Planets: Then the children are going to be learning about Earth and other planets. They are going to be doing this through listening to and watching song videos from the StoryBots. Here is a link to all their Planet videos. Full of good facts.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vb2ZXRh74WU>

For more information on Planets in the Solar System go to ScienceKids.

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/planets.html>

Rockets and Spacecraft: Children love to know about rockets and spaceships. Here is a good video about the first manned moon landing.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iEJ3yodhdsW>

There are lots of other spacecraft for the children to learn about. Your child could research the Space Shuttle, The ISS or ideas on how to get to Mars. The possibilities are endless.

Real Astronauts: The children will be learning about real people who have gone into space. Building on their understanding of Apollo 11 they could learn about Neil Armstrong.

Here is a BBC video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eIYi-Zi-3oc>

There are many other astronauts, both men and women that the children can find out about too. Have fun and be creative.

The Year 1 Teachers

