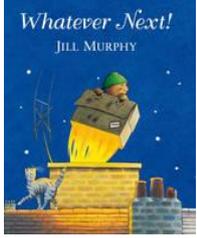
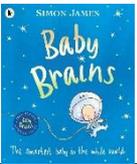
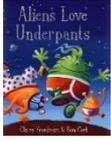


EYFS Topic for Spring Term (first half) 2017

Infinity & Beyond

This is a brief overview of the theme for 4th January - 10th February in Ash class with some idea of stories and activities that your child will cover in school. We hope it helps you to talk to your child about their learning and to support them by reinforcing what we cover in school. Sometimes things may change or be adapted according to children's interests or special events. If you would like any more information, please ask any member of staff or send a note in the yellow reading record.

<p>Week 1 4th January New Year & Winter</p> 	<p>Children will begin by settling back into the school routine and reviewing work on phonics & number from the Autumn term. We will practise counting in sequence forward and back from different numbers and recognising written digits in activities and games. We will recap on adding and subtracting in practical activities. We will share Christmas holiday news and write about the things we did and gifts that we received. We will spend some time observing the outdoor areas to see how it looks in mid-winter using a Winter treasure hunt sheet.</p> <p><u>PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD HAS WARM OUTDOOR CLOTHING EVERY DAY.</u></p>
<p>Week 2 9th January What is Space?</p> 	<p>We will use the story 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy to start our new topic about rockets and travelling into space. Children will retell the story and design their own rockets using junk modelling materials & construction kits. They will be writing labels & captions for their models. We will retell imaginary stories about travelling into space & create space modules for role play. Maths work will be addition & 3D shapes.</p> <p>We will start to learn new letters & sounds from Phase 3 (it gets quite tricky) - look out for new information in the phonics wallet - this will continue throughout the rest of the term.</p>
<p>Week 3 16th January Earth, Moon and Stars</p> 	<p>Starting with a favourite story - 'Meg & Mog on the Moon'. We will learn facts about the moon and about the lunar landings. We will encourage children to ask questions and recall information. We will be using Beebots & other control toys to understand commands and directions. We will be creating our own lunar buggies with construction kits. We will practise weighing by making 'Moon Rock cakes'. Children will also practise subtraction in practical activities. Our writing tasks will be instructions for making cakes and rhyming spells using phase 2 & 3 sounds so far.</p>
<p>Week 4 23rd January The Solar System</p> 	<p>Children will learn some facts about our solar system and the planets through simple information books and presentations. They will make fact sheets and booklets about the planets. We will make our own planetarium in the role play area. In maths, we will solve simple problems and learn to recognise o'clock times on a clock face. Children will be using ICT to take photographs and video. We will be investigating ice.</p>
<p>Week 5 30th January Astronauts</p> 	<p>The story of Baby Brains will begin our thinking about astronauts & space travellers. Children will talk about the story & retell it in role play and writing. We will think about taking care of our bodies through healthy eating & exercise. Our maths will be addition & subtraction number sentences and measuring length. Children will role play space travel & make log book entries to encourage free writing. They will also investigate magnets.</p>
<p>Week 6 6th February Aliens</p> 	<p>We will use a series of rhyming books starting with Aliens Love Underpants for our final week of this topic. Children will make up their own rhymes and create & label aliens using a range of resources. We will investigate light & colour. In maths we will continue to work on addition & subtraction sentences and the use of number lines. We will also work with 2D shapes & patterns.</p>