

# This Week in Reception

## Week Beginning 23rd January 2023

What we will be doing in school	How you can help at home
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Topic - On the Move</u></b></p> <p>This week we will learn about space! We will focus on the book <i>The Way Back Home</i> by Oliver Jeffers, as well as reading other stories and information books about space transport. We will design and label our own flying machines and create space passports.</p> 	<p>Encourage your child to look at the moon during different stages. What do they notice?</p> <p>Research about astronauts that have been to the moon. You could find out about other planets in our solar system. Visit the library to find information books on space or stories where the characters journey to space. Plan a visit to the Science Museum to find out more about space.</p> <p>Try making a space rocket or jet pack out of junk modelling materials such as old cans, yoghurt pots, boxes or bottles.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Maths</u></b></p> <p>We will compare the weight of different objects.</p> 	<p>Show your child the different types of scales that you have in your home.</p> <p>You could bake something together, weighing out ingredients.</p> <p>Encourage your child to explore the weight of familiar household objects. What is the heaviest object in your home? Which object is the lightest?</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Phonics</u></b></p> <p><b><u>New digraphs:</u> air and er</b></p> <p><b><u>New tricky words:</u> are, sure and pure</b></p> <p>We will read words with double letters, for example, ladder.</p> <p><u>Graphemes learnt so far:</u> s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r, ll, ff, j, ss, v, w, x, y, z, qu, ch, sh, th, ng, nk, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear</p> <p><u>Tricky words taught so far:</u> is, I, the, pull, full, put, as, and, has, his, her, go, no, to,</p>	<p>You could play Nonsense I-Spy. Sound out words for your child, can they spot the nonsense words? Encourage them to take the lead in the game. Who can think of the silliest nonsense word?</p>

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into, she, he, push, of, was, you, they, my,  
by, all

### Additional Activities

We are going to have an astronaut-training day on Thursday! The children will complete a range of activities.

### Independent activities

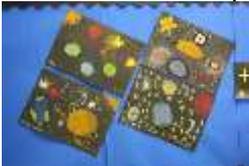
Here are a few of the independent activities your child could engage in.

Children can zoom into space using our space station role-play areas.

We will be making rockets and jet packs using junk modelling materials.



We will create Space themed artwork.



## Astronaut training day- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January

Space themed dress up day

Please send your child in with a pair of mittens or gloves on Thursday. They will be used as part of our astronaut training!

If you have any kitchen rolls (not toilet rolls) and small plastic bottles that you could bring in for junk modelling, we would really appreciate them.

Thank you.

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Little Wandle - Letters and Sounds  
Reception Phonics Home Learning

Phase 3 - Spring 1 Week 3  
Focus - Phonemes ur / ow / oi / ear



Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school. More information and support can be found on the Little Wandle website - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -



ur



ow



oi



ear

We will be reading and writing words. Can you spot segment and blend these words and spot this week's phonemes?

surf

howl

oil

hear

turn

down

join

tear

We will be reading sentences. Can you spot any tricky words? Can you segment and blend the words and look out for this week's phonemes?

The pig has a curl in his tail.

We go to the shop in town.

He boils the food in the pan.

I can hear the owl hoot.

We will be practising tricky words. Can you spot the tricky part of the word?

was

you

they

into

my

by

all

