

Up, Up and Away

Owlets - Spring Term 2



Our topic for this half term will be exploring the different types of travel that happen up in the air! We will start by looking at hot air balloons and learning what makes them fly. We will be investigating the different types of landscapes and why these may look different depending on where we live. We will also discuss how our planet is changing and what steps we can take to help slow this down.

We will then move onto planes and helicopters and will set up an airport in our nursery so we can all practise going on holiday! We will learn about hot and cold countries and decide what clothes we need to pack for each destination.

Lastly, we will be zooming off to space to learn about our solar system and may even build our own rocket to fly us to the moon. We will be using the book 'Alien Tea on Planet Zum Zee' as a text to explore other planets and hope to finish the term with our own alien tea party!

What can you do at home?



Reading

The Great Balloon Hullabaloo by Peter Bently.

The Good Deed Balloon by Bat Oren.

My Bed is an Air Balloon by Alison Joy.

Going on a Plane by Usbourne Books.

Emma Jane's Aeroplane by Katie Haworth and Daniel Rieley

Busy Airport by Busy Books.

How to Catch a Star by Oliver Jeffers.

Zoom, Rocket, Zoom by Margaret Mayo and Alex Ayliffe.

Aliens Love Underpants by Claire Freedman.

Making and Doing



Use paints to create a beautiful landscape picture.

Practise using Google Earth to look at areas from the sky.

Use recycled materials to collage your own balloon.

Design your own plane and try to construct it from Lego, drinking straws or paper.

Papier mache your own planet and decide what your planet will feel and look like.

Pack a bag to go and visit the moon - what will you take with you?

Visiting



Why not look at virtual balloon rides on YouTube and see how it feels to be up in the sky?

Lie on a blanket in your back garden and look at the clouds. What shapes can you see?

If you see a plane in the sky, try to guess where it might be going.

Visit an online planetarium and watch the stars. You can find these on the Greenwich Observatory website.

And Finally

A huge welcome to our new children that have joined our Owlets family this half term. We are so excited to welcome you all.

Welcome back to those children that have returned to nursery - we have missed you and are so pleased to have you back.

For those children choosing to work at home, we will still be providing our online learning via Tapestry until Monday 8th March when schools return. If you feel you may be at home for longer than this, please email Mrs Bagley at brookinfant.school to discuss home learning options.