



Topaz News

Learning this week



Our project title is 'What makes this place special?'. The book Dinosaurs and All that Rubbish will be used to interest us in space, dinosaurs and when we get to the Spring term, recycling and looking after our environment. An overview for this can be found on the website.



We are starting by looking at space so this week we have talked about what they know at the moment. As a project WOW start we went on a guided tour of space and had great fun with some air rockets.

We had a bit of a problem with the air rockets because they both got lost on the roof so for home learning this week the children have been asked to make rockets that we can test on Monday. This is a great STEM challenge for them to start to think about how things work and what might make them go even higher or faster.

You might have seen on your facebook page that I have started to arrange an evening of stargazing. The date for this at the moment is 31.1.2020 with a reserve date of 7.2 as we need a clear evening. This will be for the children in Topaz and not for siblings as the health and safety arrangements would be difficult. It will run between 5 and 6.30pm. More details to follow.

Maths

Our maths fluency is counting back from any number to 20. This links well with our space theme and we have used these clips to get started this week. Our aim will be to get more fluent with this in the coming weeks.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1E6JwGYhOY>

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Kind regards,

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