



Topaz News

The aliens have landed this week! The children have been so keen to explore stories in space so our planning has been adapted to accommodate their interest. They have designed their own alien and we will be using their alien character to tell stories next week. You will find a picture of their character in your blue book. At home you can make up some stories together so that they have some ideas to work with next week. The children need to tell the story rather than write it, but you can write their story for them in the blue book to help us know their ideas.



There are still lots of space adventures going on, models being made and we have had a focus on being curious.

Next week we have a number 8 day event on Tuesday across the school when we are all going to focus on finding out things about 8. It will also be an acts of kindness day which has been arranged by the pupil council.

Reading

As a school we aim to impart a love of reading in our children. One of the things that we have promoted in the last couple of years has been the 50 best reads. In your blue books you will see the 50 best reads for Reception. We have these in the classroom in school and you will recognise lots of them. They will also be readily available in the library. You will also have favourites that aren't on this list. Sharing a wide range of books is really important so see how many you can share in the coming weeks.

The skills of reading are also important to practise regularly. Through the school we champion 5 times a week. This could be your child reading, practising phonics, keywords or reading related blue book activities. We will be launching a challenge for half term but for the next week try to make time for this. I really notice a difference in the children who practise reading skills at home regularly.

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I have some offers for this event in our first week back but if you have half an hour to spend to talk to some children about your work, please email me. This is being arranged by myself as a school event for the year of citizenship.

Have a good weekend,

Sally Windmill