



# Apple Class Autumn 2 Topic Web 2023



Theme this half term		Core Read Aloud Texts		Days to remember	
Up There		Whatever Next How to Catch a Star The Way Back Home The Moon (non-fiction) What are Stars (non-fiction) Various nativity stories and Christmas stories		Monday	PE - Come to school in PE kit.
				Tuesday	
				Wednesday	
				Thursday	Bring back homework folder and reading book.
				Friday	New reading book and homework given out. Change library books.

**Communication and Language**

Children will develop their listening and understanding skills by being encouraged to ask who, what and where questions. They will use new vocabulary they have learnt in their retelling of stories and roll play. We will introduce concept cat who will teach them a couple of new words each week. Look out for the stickers on your child's jumper!

**Physical Development**

Fine motor skills – Children will develop their skill of letter formation with Daily handwriting and number formation practice. They will also practise scissor skills.  
 Gross motor – We will continue PE sessions on Monday.  
 In Get set 4 PE lessons we will be learning ball skills.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

Children will explore their feelings through stories and circle times. They will learn to recognise how they are feeling and develop appropriate strategies to deal with different situations.

**RE**

Children will learn Christmas is a time when we celebrate the birth of Jesus Children will talk about how they celebrate Christmas and learn about how people in different countries celebrate Christmas too.

**Literacy**

Children will continue to develop their handwriting and start writing cvc words. They will create their own stories that an adult can scribe, becoming familiar with the story mountain structure (beginning, build up, problem, resolution and ending).  
 Children will learn the second set of phase 2 phonemes and how to blend them together to read.

**Mathematics**

We will be focusing on recognising, forming and subitising numbers 4 and 5. We will be identifying 1 more/1 less and looking at money and time. The children will be practicing their number formation and learning rhymes to help them remember how to write them.

**Understanding the World**

This half term we will be learning about space. The children will look at information books to learn about stars, planets and galaxies. We will read stories about what space is like and find out about the adventures of Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake. We will start Outdoor explorer sessions.

**Expressive Arts and Design**

The children will be making rockets and space pictures. They will create their own space scenes in our small world area, print planets and look at the work of Artists such as Kandinsky. They will be preparing for the nativity and learning new songs.