



# Above and Beyond

Year 2

Term 2 2025



This term we are continuing to take a reading approach to our curriculum and we will be focusing our topic work around three key texts. *Man on the Moon: a day in the life of Bob* by Simon Bartram, *The Darkest Dark* by Chris Hadfield and *The Marvellous Moon Map* by Teresa Heapy. We will be exploring the history of space and travel and looking at what it would be like to live in space. In art, we will be creating our own alien sculptures and we will be using a range of media to create a space scene.

## Maths



We will begin with building on our knowledge of addition using the expanded column method. Then we will work on our knowledge of money and link this to our first book: *Man on the Moon*. We will be exploring different combinations of coins that make the same amount and we will use the expanded column method to find the total when buying 2 items from Bob's Space Souvenir Shop. We will also look at using our skills to answer and explain our answers to a range of problems.

## English

We will be exploring our three key texts in detail. We will look at how the authors build their stories through the use of language, sentence structure and inference through the illustrations. We will be looking at writing instructions, postcards from space and non-fiction pages.



Our author of the term is Simon Bartram. He is an English illustrator and author of children's books. His book *The Man on the Moon* was voted 'best illustrated book to read aloud' by Blue Peter viewers.

### **Grammar, spelling and punctuation**

Using apostrophes for contractions and possession, commas in a list and expanding our vocabulary choices.

## Science

In Science we will explore animals including humans. We will explore the basic needs of animals, changes and growth, offspring and we will also look at health and hygiene. We will be carrying out investigations and enquiries to broaden our knowledge and understanding.



## PSHCE—Celebrating Difference

We will be looking at our similarities and the things we have in common with each other and how we can be polite and respectful towards our differences.

## Reading at home

Please continue to log all reading at home in the reading record. If you need any support with this, please speak to your child's class teacher.



Be Inspired

In PE we will be learning skills in:

Swimming

Dance

\*Please ensure children are in full PE kit and earrings are removed on PE days.