



# The Universe

Years 1 and 2 - Dosbarth Gwylan and Marloes -



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## Brilliant Beginning

A warm welcome awaits you on your return to school after the Easter break - please enter carefully and do not touch anything strange as you pass the men in white suits!!.

What could be going on?



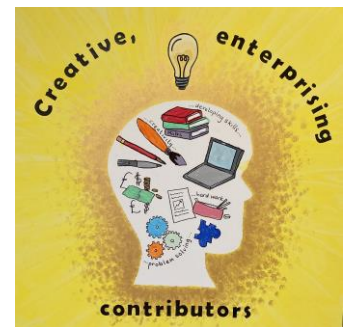
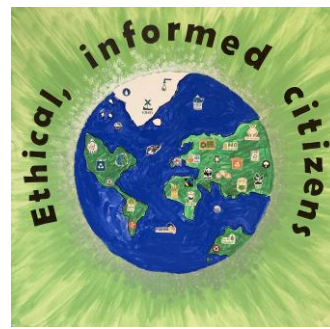
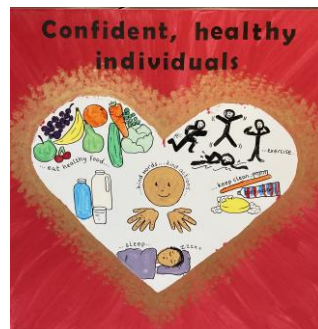
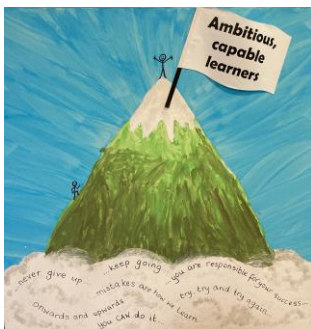
## Sparkling Starter

We hope you enjoyed our special day! The aliens, gloop, slime and underpants everywhere was certainly a big shock for me! After solving clues and visiting the sky dome it was clear to see that our theme was 'The Universe'. 😊

## Fabulous Finish

To celebrate all we have learned, we will take part in our own Space themed 'Pizza Planet' Party! We will join together to celebrate all of our achievements.

There will be dancing, music and lots of fun!



## The Four Purposes.

### Ambitious Capable Learners

The children can communicate effectively in different forms and settings, using both Welsh and English.

Use number effectively in different contexts.

### Confident, Healthy Individuals

The children are working on building their mental and emotional well-being by developing confidence, resilience and empathy.

The children can form positive relationships based upon trust and mutual respect- face and overcome challenge.

### Ethical, Informed Citizens

Children will have the opportunity to engage with contemporary issues based upon their knowledge and values.

Children can understand and consider the impact of their actions when making choices and acting.

### Creative, Enterprising Contributors

Children will learn to express ideas and emotions through different media.

Children can take measured risks.

## Rights Respecting Schools

As a Right's Respecting School, we will consider the following rights in this topic.

Article 12: Every child has a right to have their voices heard.

Article 24: Children have the right to good quality health care, to clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment.

Article 31: Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

## Eco schools

We will continue to use our Fabulous Fridays to develop our understanding about our outdoor environment.

This will include foraging, exploring our school grounds, looking after our growing spaces and respecting our environment.

## **Pupil Led Learning:**

After the super sparkly starter day, the children had some questions they would like to find answers to. These included - What is it like in space? Can you sleep in space? How many planets are in space? Do the stars have names?

## **Languages, Literacy and Communication:**

As Linguists we will continue to develop our speaking and listening skills through stories, songs and role play. We will also develop a sense of curiosity about The Universe and beyond. We will continue to build our phonic knowledge through daily literacy activities, making the most of our outdoor learning environment as often as we can and ensuring our fine and gross motor skills are developed daily! We will be writing recipes, designing posters and writing descriptive pieces about 'Space'.

## **Mathematics and Numeracy:**

As Mathematicians we will further develop our counting, ordering and number recognition skills in a varied and practical manner as well as learning about number bonds and place value. We will also be multiplying and dividing numbers. We will be exploring time and direction thinking about night and day and the direction of the sun and moon. We will be measuring using cm/ m and miles!! How very exciting.

## **Expressive Arts:**

As Artists we will continue to explore and experiment using a variety of techniques and materials. We will investigate and explore clay and design and make our very own creatures from out of space - spooky!! We will listen and learn dances to space themed music and perform these to the class! We will be looking at the famous painting 'Starry night' by Van Gogh. We will be colour mixing and using a variety of techniques with paint.

## **Health & Wellbeing:**

Thinking about our wellbeing we will be learning and focusing on the topic of 'Relationships'. We will be sharing our feelings about the people in our lives that we know and love. We will also continue to learn about mindfulness including mindful breathing and listening and how we can use these techniques every day. We will learn about health and wellbeing in our local community and think about the wider world. How can we help other countries around the world?

## **Humanities:**

So, have you ever wondered who was the first man to walk on the moon? Well, we will be exploring this during the topic 'The Universe'. We will be looking at the history of people who had the opportunity to fly to space as well as researching what may happen in the future. This is going to be such fun!!

## **Science and Technology:**

As Scientists we will be investigating 'The Universe'. What can be found about the clouds? What other planets are in our solar system? We will be investing light and dark and thinking about the stars in the night sky. We will even be designing and making a rocket launcher..... 3, 2, 1!!