

JANUARY

in Year 5



In Science this month, we have started our Space unit! We have been looking at what astronomers do, the phases of the moon and we learned about Helen Sharman in one week of our Reading lessons. We also started our new class book, *Cosmic*, and we have been picking out what might actually happen in space compared with what is fictional - we have loved it!



This Month's Super Learners

Progress: Connah, Heidi

Achievement: Jane, Frankie

Reader of the Month: Connah



In English, we have been looking at Adventure Stories and building our skills around using speech. We have been delving deep into our model text - Alien Landing - to identify the features and to ensure we are including the toolkit in our writing.

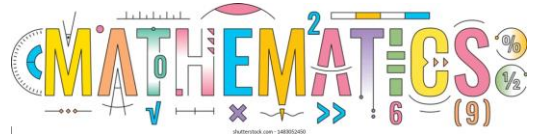
Look at this wonderful work we created as a class:



Reading

We have been reading a variety of texts this term that link with our curriculum. We started with a non-fiction information text about Helen Sharman, who was the first British person to go into Space.

As with our link to science, we have really enjoyed reading *Cosmic* by Frank Cottrell-Boyce. We dove deeper into the story in Week 2, thinking closely about the characters and the relationships between them.



In Maths, we have been calculating the area and perimeter of closed 2D shapes. We learned that area is the space inside a shape and perimeter is the space outside of a shape.

We have also started looking at Fractions, improper fractions and mixed numbers. Look at this wonderful work from one of our Maths books:

