

Nursery Home Learning Activities: Summer Term 2 Week 4 – Space

Monday 22 nd June	Tuesday 23 rd June	Wednesday 24 th June	Thursday 25 th June	Friday 26 th June
<input type="checkbox"/> Read a story You may like to read some books that are based in a farm yard for example: How to catch a star or the aliens love underpants. If you have the book, allow them to hold it and turn the pages. Look at the pictures and talk about what might happen next. Encourage your child to draw their favourite part of the story.	<input type="checkbox"/> Build a name rocket Your child will have a picture of a rocket. On squares of paper write their names and see if they can build their name onto the rocket. On the next rocket encourage your child to write their name using a pencil.	<input type="checkbox"/> Nursery rhymes With your child sing nursery rhymes, such as: Five little men in a flying saucer Together you could make props for these nursery rhymes and actions for the rhymes or draw 5 little flying saucers. Ask your child to draw a picture for one of the rhymes.	<input type="checkbox"/> Make your mark! You could wrap some tin foil around their pencil to make a space stick. Encourage your child to hold the pencil correctly and focus on the lines that they are making.	<input type="checkbox"/> Going to the moon Ask your child what things they would need if they went to the moon. Ask them to draw them into the suitcase. Extend this by asking them to write the initial sound too.
<input type="checkbox"/> What's in space? Show your child the pictures of the different fish. As your child to count how many of each item there are. Then ask them which item did they find the most of and which did they find the least of.	<input type="checkbox"/> Colour by number Look at the picture of space and explain to your child that each number has a colour. Talk through the numbers and colours. Allow your child to colour the space according to the number, encourage them to stay in the lines and take their time.	<input type="checkbox"/> Count the aliens! Ask your child to count the aliens they see on each planet. See if they can then match the numicon value to the correct planet and extend by writing the numeral.	<input type="checkbox"/> 2D rockets Use the different shapes to make a rocket. Ask your child to name each of the shapes as they count them. Extend to counting how many of each shape they have used.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lots of patterns. Look at the patterns and ask your child to complete the pattern. Then ask them to create their own patterns using the planet pictures. Extend their learning further by asking them to count how many of each animal is in their pattern.
<input type="checkbox"/> Astronaut gymnastics. Ask your child to pretend to move like an astronaut. Then encourage them to do a roly poly or twirl and balance. Then try to see if they can balance on one leg.	<input type="checkbox"/> Make a rocket You can use cardboard boxes, plastic tubs, tubes any recycling you have around the house to make your own rocket to go to the moon. Allow your child to decorate this, if you have paint you may want to paint it too!	<input type="checkbox"/> Space biscuits Make some biscuits using star cutters or a round cutter. Use the recipe or your own and decorate in a space theme. Your child can plan their decoration using template before they ice their biscuits.	<input type="checkbox"/> Thread the moon If you have a hole punch and a piece of string you can allow your child to use their magic fingers to thread the string through the holes. Ask them to count the holes as they thread the string through.	<input type="checkbox"/> Make a planet Encourage your child to create their own planet They can use a balloon or cardboard boxes. Cut and tick on paper, this will help with their cutting skills. They could paint and then name their planet.
<input type="checkbox"/> Play hide and seek Pretend you are in space and are in your own rockets. Encourage your child to find a good place to hide or ask them to find you.	<input type="checkbox"/> Become an astronaut Encourage your child to be an astronaut, what can they see if they went into space. What do they need to do or wear?	<input type="checkbox"/> Dot to dot Encourage your child to complete the dot-to-dot asking them to follow each of the numbers in order. Then to extend their cutting skills see if they can cut it out using a pair of child safe scissors.	<input type="checkbox"/> Space Memory. Show your child the pictures of space cards, turn them all over and ask them to find the pairs. You could play this with them or it could be done with a timer. They could then create their own using their drawings.	<input type="checkbox"/> Bubbling planets Follow the experiment instructions to see if you can make a bubbling planet.