Year 1 – Starry Night

English
The children will be writing for a range of purposes this term based around their theme, including re-writing stories like Owl Babies and The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark. We will also write instructions, poetry, and non-chronological reports.

Science
As scientists we will be learning about native nocturnal animals and how they are adapted to a night-time life. We will develop the skills to carry out a fair test and how to observe changes in state.

Geography
We will be learning how to use a map, including using signs and symbols and the compass points. We will then study geographical features of the UK from the perspective of space, including naming and identifying the countries and capital cities of the UK.

History
We will be learning about the key historical events surrounding space exploration and the significant individuals that made this possible.

Arts and Design
We will learn about the artist Vincent Van Gough and complete a piece of work influenced by his painting "Starry Night". We will also learn how to use collage and mixed media in a piece of work.

PE
The children will be working on a range of skills within a variety of team games.

Music
The children will complete two units of work, 'Zootime' and 'Friendship Song', developing listening, appraising, playing, improvisation, and performance skills.

Computing
Our two key questions for this term are 'How can we create art using technology?' and 'How can I debug a program?'

Maths
This term, the children will be deepening their understanding of addition and subtraction within 20. We will then move onto place value within 50. We will also explore measurement, looking at height and length and then weight and capacity.

RE
The children will be studying two key questions:
'How do some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful?' and 'What are the best symbols of Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter?'

Design and Technology
By going through the 'Design, Make, Evaluate' process, the children will create a moving model of an owl.

PSHE
Our two key themes for PSHE will be "Citizenship" and "Caring for the Wider World".