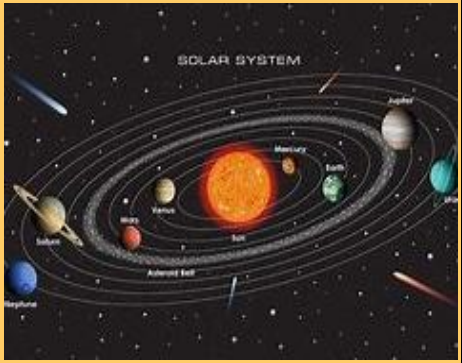
Taverham Junior School – Year 5 Curriculum Map – Autumn Term 2026 (2nd Half)



Year 5
Autumn 2 – Space

This curriculum map provides an overview of what your child will be learning across the curriculum this half-term. Wherever possible, learning will be linked to our focus topic.



In **English,** we will be writing to entertain.
We will explore the features of story writing, building on the descriptive writing skills learned last half term. Our focus genre for this half-term will be sci-fi, and we hope that by the end of the term, the children will be able to write a variety of openings in this genre with considerable independence.
Each week, we will continue to develop our spelling, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation, paying particular attention to the punctuation of dialogue.

This half-term's theme is **Space.** We will begin by creating some amazing space art. Also, we will have a visit from a planetarium to explore our solar system.

In **design and technology**, we will build on the skills taught last half-term, when making Viking longboats, by making a battery-powered 'space-buggy'.

We will also be researching food used by astronauts before creating a meal for a mission to Mars!

In **maths**, we will be reviewing, learning and investigating numerous concepts, including:

- Multiplying numbers using an expanded column method.
- Dividing numbers using a short division method.
- Finding equivalent fractions
- Converting improper fractions to mixed numbers
- Order and compare fractions
- Add and subtract fractions.

In **science**, we will learn about our solar system, including the movement of the planets, and sunrise and sunset.

In **French**, we will be learning the names of a variety of animals.

In **music**, we will listen to and evaluate the work of a range of famous composers across a range of historical periods. Before performing a piece from 'The Planets'.

In **PE**, we will be working on our dance skills.

In **computing**, we will be planning, creating and editing videos.

In **Life Skills**, we will focus on relationships, exploring how relationships can affect our future, the power of words, personal boundaries, online friendships and staying safe online.

Our **R.E. Day** has a Christian theme and we hope to visit St. Edmund's church during the term.

If you have any questions regarding our curriculum, please speak to your child's class teacher