



Nursery Curriculum Newsletter

Communication & Language

The children will have the opportunity to develop their language skills throughout our carpet sessions, as well through the role-play areas set up within our provision areas. During our circle times, the children will be engaging in imaginary trips such as a magic carpet ride, a hot air balloon ride and a ride on a broomstick. We will be playing memory and list games like: 'I packed my bag and in it I put...'. The children that will be moving to Upper Foundation Stage will begin to learn the following sounds using the Read Write Inc scheme: m,a,s and d. While, other children will continue to tune into environmental and instrumental sounds. We will be taking part in small group discussions to encourage children to take turns to share their ideas and in turn this will allow the children to work on their listening skills.



How you can support at home?

- Talk to your child about the sound they have learnt, ask them to find objects starting with that sound.
- Talk about the different modes of transport you use, as well as discussing the journeys you have been on with your child.

Vocabulary

ride, journey, transport, listen, talk, discuss, share, sound, memory, imagination, experience, senses, sight, sound, hear, see, touch, taste, feel

Physical Development

This half term we will continue to develop our writing skills. We are encouraging children to describe what they are drawing as they make marks. We are encouraging and supporting children to write their own names to develop their independence in preparation for Upper Foundation Stage. We will be developing our moving and handling skills through stop/go games using traffic light colours and by playing positional and movement games based on different modes of transport.



How you can support at home?

- Encourage your child to write their name.
- Talk about marks they are making, together you may create a map showing which way you come to Nursery.

Vocabulary

name, write, pencil grip, draw, games, physical activity, health, exercise, positional, over, under, behind, stop, go, through, up, down, inside, outside, around, in front, below



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Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be discussing the journeys children have been on. We will be talking about road safety and how to walk safely to Nursery each day. The children will also be learning how to be a good friend and looking at ways in which we can be more considerate to the needs of others.



How you can support at home?

- When walking to places with your children talk about road safety.
- Encourage your children to share things at home by playing lots of turn-taking games.

Vocabulary

Roads, safety, danger, look, cross, left, right, check, share, kind, happy, sad, turn-taking, car transport, listen, road sign, Zebra Crossing, pedestrian, traffic light, crossing patrol

Topic

This half term our topic is 'Going Places'. We will be looking at different ways of travelling and this will be enhanced through our role-play activities within the provision areas so children can act out different experiences. We will be reading various books linked to transport and journey such as: 'Whatever Next', 'The Train Ride', 'Aliens Love Underpants' and 'Brilliant Boats'. We will be having discussions about road safety as well as using our mathematical skills to work out the children's favourite mode of transport. The children will have the opportunity to create their own 3D model vehicles. Lastly, we will be looking at different types of transport, the reasons for using them and how they have changed over time.

How you can support at home?

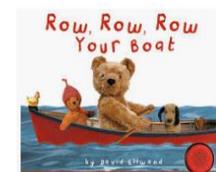
- Sing our topic based Nursery Rhymes with your child.
- Count the different types of transport you pass on your journey to school, you could extend this by asking your child how many red cars they can see or how many Lorries they can see.

Vocabulary

Transport, journeys, walk, run, bike, train, bus, aeroplane, boat, rocket, travel, ticket, airport, holiday, beach, airport, train station, bus station

Key Nursery Rhymes

- The Wheels on the Bus
- 5 Little Men in a Flying Saucer
- Row, Row, Row Your Boat
- Down By The Station
- A Sailor Went to Sea



Key Information & Important Dates

- INSET Day: Thursday 2nd May 2019
- May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2019
- Summer half term holidays:
Friday 24th May 2019- Monday 3rd June 2019