

Welcome back! We hope you have enjoyed the half term break and we are looking forward to meeting with you all either virtually or in person this term to discuss your child's achievements and progress at upcoming Parents' Evenings. Further details to follow.

We will continue to build on the children's interests and knowledge this term alongside teaching them lots of new things through our topic 'Transport'.

In Literacy, we will be reading and sharing lots of stories and non-fiction books about transport. We will identify and anticipate key events in familiar stories and through role play opportunities in class, we will repeat these and learn our topic vocabulary. We will be continuing our Sounds Write Phonics and then will apply what we have learnt through free choice and some adult led activities to develop our writing skills and letter formation.

In Maths, we will be continuing to look at numbers up to 10 in depth including 'subitising' (recognising quantities without counting) up to 5. We will be learning some shapes and also looking at capacity.

Our theme is:

Transport







Key vocabulary:

Journey Transport Road Safety
Technology Invent

Reminders & Dates

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- Children must now wear their PE Kit to school on PE days.
 No change of clothes is required.
- <u>Indoor PE</u> is on **Monday** for all classes. Children need navy shorts, jade t-shirt, navy jogging bottoms, navy jumper / hooded top, trainers.
- Outdoor PE: **Elm** and **Willow** Thursday, **Oak** Friday.

Home learning

- Every Friday we send out a Weekly Round-Up via Tapestry. There will also be Talk Question to explore and discuss with your child. We encourage you to talk to your child about their learning. Please share any exciting moments in your child's home learning with us, via Tapestry.
- Phonic boxes should be returned to school every Thursday and we will return them home on Friday. We will write in the Weekly Round-Up if new sounds have been added.
- Please read to or with your child every day it makes a huge difference!

Dates

Tuesday 14th December @2pm and 4:30pm— Reception Christmas Production

In Physical Development, through PE sessions we will be refining our throwing and catching skills, learning about safely negotiating space, playing co-operatively with our friends and learning to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions. We will also be developing our fine motor skills through sticking, cutting, ripping and joining as we make our vehicles this half term as well as during morning activities each morning.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development, we will be learning about people who are special to us and why, and understanding about families and how families care for each other. We will be learning to work with our friends and class mates and learn how we recognise unkind behaviour, how we can negotiate fall outs and how we can make up with friends if this happens.

In Communication and Language (linked to our theme) we will be joining in with repeated refrains in stories and rhymes, following directions, understanding and using prepositions, use vocabulary from stories and non-fiction texts, and asking questions using what, where, when and why to find out information.

In Understanding the World through our new topic of Transport; we will be learning about different types of transport and types of transport used around the world. The children will learn about the importance of safety around transport including Road Safety. They will also look into types of transport in the past including 'The Rocket' steam train and the explorer Ernest Shackleton and his travel to Antarctica.