

Autumn Term

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JOURNEYS

EYFS

8 week study



What's it all about?

In this topic your child will ...

- think about different ways of travelling.
- begin to understand the uses of vehicles (i.e. emergency vehicles).
- find out about the journeys that different people/characters have made.

We will also be reading and exploring the story of *The Gingerbread Man*.

Outcome:

At the end of the topic your child will be able to talk a little bit about what a journey is and different methods of transport used to make a journey.

Curriculum Focus:

Personal, social and emotional development: Making relationships, Self-confidence and self-awareness and Managing feelings and behaviour

Children will be able to:

- speak to others about their own needs, wants, interests and opinions – listening politely to others.
- explain their own knowledge and understanding, and ask appropriate questions of others.
- take steps to resolve conflicts with other children, e.g. finding a compromise.
- show confidence when asking adults for help.
- show awareness of the boundaries set, and of behavioural expectations in the school.

In Literacy: Reading and Writing

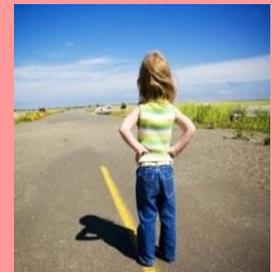
Children will be:

- blending sounds together to read simple words, then reading simple sentences, reading books in groups and talking about characters and settings in stories.
- writing letters in response to sounds that we hear; forming letters correctly in cursive script.

In Mathematics: Shape, Space and Measures and Number

Children will be:

- reading, writing and ordering numbers up to 20.
- playing games and singing number songs.
- finding out about measures and 3D shapes.



Ways to support your child at home:

- ❖ Help your child to practise the new sounds that are sent home each week by completing their 'Letters and Sounds' book.
- ❖ Encourage your child to count small sets of objects by moving them one at a time.
- ❖ Help your child to recognise numbers up to 10 and then 20 on the way to school by reading them on doors/signs etc.
- ❖ Play the maths game that your child will be bringing home each week and write down how they found it in the Maths Game Diary.
- ❖ Share your child's school reading book and write a comment in their Reading Diary.
- ❖ Enjoy sharing your child's library book each week.

Important Dates:

Christmas performances -

Wednesday 6th December at 2.15p.m.

Thursday 7th December at 9.15a.m. - adults only

Christmas Fayre - 14th December

Christmas gift wrap - 18th December

In addition to the topic based learning outlined above, your child will also be learning about the following:

In Expressive Arts and Design

- Exploring different textures and colours
- Parachute dances (discovering timbre, tempo and duration).

In Understanding the World:

- Exploring the importance of God to Christians. (R.E.)
- Why is celebrating Jesus' birthday important for Christians? (R.E.)
- Me as a special person. (P.S.H.E.)
- How to use a floor robot: using painting programmes on the computer.
- Making salt dough (mixing different ingredients).
- Planting bulbs.

In Physical Development:

- How to hold a pencil using the correct grip.
- How to use different tools such as cutters, rollers and scissors.
- Using their bodies to make different shapes.

Topic Finale:

At the end of the topic to show what they have learnt, the children will be inviting you to come in and have a look at all of their work on Wednesday 20th December at 2.45 pm.

