Transport Foundation Spring Term 1



Literacy

This term we will be applying our growing phonic knowledge to writing postcards, labelling our car designs and extending the adventures of Naughty Bus. In our phonics sessions we will be learning to read and write a range of digraphs.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term we will continue to develop our skills in partner-working, talking and listening to each other to share our learning. We will be thinking about appropriate ways to express our feelings and how what we say and do can affect other people. This will helps to see ourselves as part of the class and to work together on shared projects.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about the wider world around us by thinking about different modes of transport for different destinations. We will also be celebrating Chinese New Year at the start of February and welcoming the Year of the Dragon. As part of our Transport topic we will also have the opportunity to work with remote controlled cars and programmable toys (Bee Bots).

Communication and Language

This term we will be using a variety of stories to support our 'Transport' theme, in particular Mr Gumpy's Outing, The Journey and Naughty Bus. We will explore the use of different tenses in these books, and develop the narrative in different ways. We are also looking forward to presenting our cars in our own class car showroom!

Mathematics

In Mathematics: Number we will be consolidating our work with numbers to 20, learning about number bonds to 10, and subtracting single digits.

In Mathematics: Numerical Patterns we will be exploring 3D shapes and learning more about the passage of time with the months of the year. We will also be exploring the comparative weight of some of the items in our classroom.

Expressive Art & Design

A major part of our 'Transport' topic this term will involve researching, planning, designing and building our own moving vehicles! We will be using music to add sound effects to the story of The Journey and making Chinese drums to accompany our dragon dance. We will also be developing transport-themed role play scenarios.

Religious Education

In RE we will be looking at celebrations and new beginnings at the start of a new year. We will celebrate the Hindu festival of Holi with bright colours and popcorn and learn about Chinese New Year – the Year of the Dragon.

Physical Development

Our fine motor skills will be extended this term as we design and build our own vehicles with axles and moving wheels. In PE we will be developing our spatial awareness and hand-eye coordination through ball skills and work with a partner. We will also be responding to music with movement.

Welly Wednesday

On Welly Wednesdays this term we will be getting creative and taking art outside to find out what we can do with natural materials. We will also be finding ways to help our local wildlife.