

Dear Parents,

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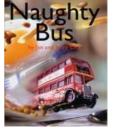
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Welcome back and we hope you all had a lovely Christmas holiday. Our topic is 'Off We Go!' where we will be learning about different types of transport and the journeys that they can take us on. We will also be looking closely at how transport such as cars, buses and planes have changed since they were first invented. In addition, we will be looking at the emergency services and what each one does to help us and the local community.

Key Texts







Literacy: Our focus in literacy this term is to secure our phonic knowledge to write words, sentences, instructions and stories through talk for writing. In reading, our phonics knowledge, high frequency and tricky words will develop further from our reading of key texts and sharing and discussing new stories together.

Maths: In maths, we will be becoming more familiar with naming and describing 2D and 3D shapes. We will be continuing to secure our number skills and then exploring addition and subtraction with games and activities.

The main part of the topic is to use the vocabulary associated with all different types of vehicles and how they are different and the same. We will also be looking at maps to see where different countries and cities are and how we might get there.

Sharing of Learning - Show & Tell

If you have any learning from home the children would like to share, please write a WOW slip and send this into school. On Fridays, we will be doing 'Show and Tell' and items children would like to bring in should have a focus on learning (such as pictures, writing, photos of experiences or certificates).

Home Learning

Thanks to constant practise, the children's reading is developing well. Thank you to all of you who support this at home. It really does make a difference.

Reading	Please read with your child regularly, even if it is just for a few minutes. Please focus on
	blending sounds together and focusing on reading the high frequency words and tricky
	word cards. We will also be recording sounds for the children to focus on within their
	reading books.

Super Home Challenges!

You might like to choose one of the following activities to try with your child at home. You can record these in your home learning book and bring these into school whenever they are finished to share with the class.

- Go on a journey, take photos of how you got there and tell us about how long it took.
- Make a model of a new vehicle and give it a name! Be as creative as you can!
- Write a story about one of your vehicles at home that has been getting into trouble like the naughty bus!

Websites and Links

- www.purplemash.com for Literacy and Maths games and transport themed projects.
- www.phonicsplay.co.uk Phase 2,3 and 4 games, blending sounds and words.
- If you wish to make learning games to have fun at home, you can print from www.twinkl.co.uk and browse the EYFS Reception section.
- www.cbeebies.co.uk for Number Blocks

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• All information for the term is also on the school website.

Quick Reminders

- Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle and their book bags each day.
- Can the children please always have a coat in school particularly as the British weather is unpredictable.
- Our PE day is Wednesday but PE kits should be in all week.
- Please can all children have a spare set of underwear and socks in their PE bag in case of any accidents. It is much more comforting for children to have their own change of clothes to put on if the need arises.



Trip to the Fire Station

We are planning a trip to Uckfield Fire station as part this term's learning, a letter with further information, will be sent out soon.

PLEASE HELP!

If you have any unusual vehicles such as an old bicycle, a tractor or a vintage car that you would be able to bring in and talk to us about, please let me know. Also if you have any models of unusual transport then we would love to see them.

Thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or comments.

Miss Denney

Key Vocabulary for the term:VehicleTravelBusCommunityCarSignsTrainEmergency ServicesJourney999SpaceWheels



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