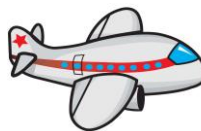


Topic

Our topic this term is 'On the Move!'.
We will be learning about different types of transport.



We will be reading *Cinderella*, *Mrs Armitage on Wheels*, *The Naughty Bus*, *The Train Ride*, *How to Catch a Star*, *Man in the Moon* and *Whatever Next*. As part of the topic we will be walking down to Saltaire train station and going on a train ride and we will also be visiting the park and canal to look at the barges.

PE

We will be beginning small sessions of PE in the hall. The children will be exploring different ways to travel. We will also be learning simple dance movements to music. PE kit will not be needed.

Train Ride

The first story we will be reading is *The Train Ride*. To support this we will be taking the children on a short train ride to Keighley station. We are provisionally planning this for Monday morning 8th January – weather permitting. Please make sure your child wears sensible footwear and a warm coat.

Diary Dates

8th January am-Train ride to Keighley
11th January- Evening Panto 4 pm or 6.30pm

Sustrans Bike Project

We are involved in an exciting project where children in Reception will be learning how to ride a 2 wheeled bike. This will initially be on balance bikes. If the children make good progress they will move on to using pedal bikes. A separate letter which explains the project in more detail will be sent out.

Books

Please keep reading books in your child's bookbag throughout the week so we can read with them in school. We advise that you spend 10 minutes a day reading or practising tricky words with your child. If your child needs new tricky words, please let us know. Library books continue to be changed on a Friday. If any parents could spare some time to help with reading please speak to your child's class teacher.

Independence

It is really important to foster independence in our children. The children are doing so well and making so much progress with this. You could support us at home by encouraging your child to get dressed independently, including zipping coats and putting on shoes. You could let your child use their own cutlery and let them help at home with laying the table, washing up and making their beds!

Outdoor Resources

We are developing our resources for lunchtime. If, after Christmas you are making room for new toys, we would give a good home to any toys or books still in good condition.

Gloop Recipe



Try mixing cornflour with water and see what happens.
You can practise writing letters and numbers in the gloop.

Snow Recipe

Make your own fake snow (in case we don't get any this year!).

2 cups corn flour

1/3 to 1/2 of a cup vegetable oil

3-4 tablespoons silver glitter

Have fun building snowmen or whatever takes your fancy!

Maths Games

We always have simple board games available in our maths area for the children to play. They really enjoy this and it has been a great way to practise their counting skills, number recognition and communication skills. Please play some board games with your child at home. Good examples are Ludo, Sorry, Ladybug Game and Snakes and Ladders.

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Welcome back to school for our first spring term!
We have lots of exciting activities planned for the weeks ahead.

On the Move!

