

'Off We Go!'

Reception Newsletter - Term 3

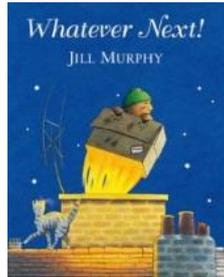
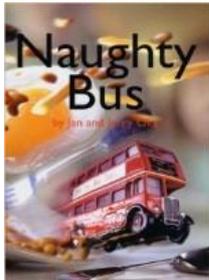


Dear Parents and Carers,

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 sentences, instructions and captions. 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 to 20 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.

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. Now that the children are using their sounds to blend new words, it is important that they begin to discuss each book and understand words such as 'character', 'title', 'setting', 'beginning', 'middle', 'end'.
Letters and Sounds	Home learning books will continue to come home with the sounds that we have been learning. We have now moved on to learning 'digraphs' (two letters to make one sound).

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
- 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** which your child can use independently 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 days are Monday and Friday 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 hopefully planning a trip to Forest Row Fire station, with a bus trip as part of this term's learning, a letter with further information, will be sent out soon.

PLEASE HELP!

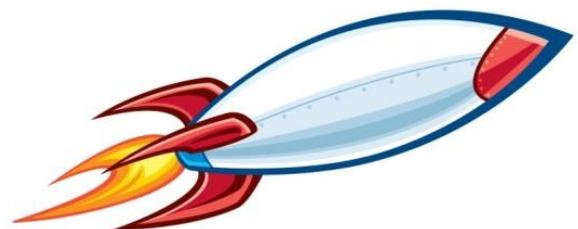
If you have any unusual vehicles such as an old bicycle, a tractor or a vintage car that you would be able to bring in and talk to us about, please let me know. Also if you have any models of unusual transport then we would love to see them.

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

Miss Munn and Mrs Boldero

Key Vocabulary for the term:

Vehicle	Travel
Bus	Community
Car	Signs
Train	Emergency Services
Journey	999
Space	Wheels

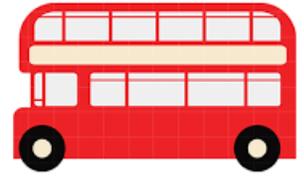




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Learning Map

What are we doing this term?



<p>Literacy</p> 	<p>Letters & Sounds</p> 	<p>Story captions and writing lists</p> 	<p>Books fiction and non-fiction</p> 
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>Number and Calculation</p> 	<p>Data Handling</p>  <p>How many cars are there in the car park?</p>	
<p>Expressive Art & Design</p> 	<p>Acting out and recording our stories</p> 	<p>Making transport Models</p> 	
<p>Understanding the world</p> 	<p>Different transport for different journeys.</p> 	<p>Old and New Transport</p> 	
<p>Personal, Social and Emotional</p> 	<p>Working together and Jigsaw – Dreams and Goals</p> 	<p>Playing games with rules</p> 	
<p>Physical Development</p> 	<p>Different Movements and 10 minute running challenge</p> 	<p>Gross motor skills for building models</p> 	
<p>Communication & Language</p> 	<p>Listening Games- What's making the noise?</p> 	<p>Becoming confident</p> 	