



# Spring Term

## EYFS Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and thank you for your support last year. This term hasn't started off quite like we'd expected but you have handled it brilliantly and, whether you are in school or at home, you are all working really hard on your learning!

Below is an outline of what we will be learning about during Spring Term.

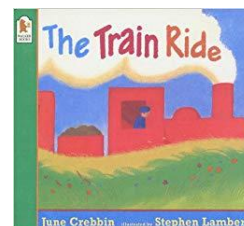
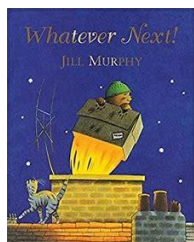
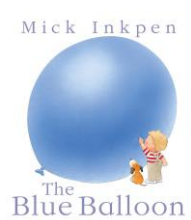
### This term's topic overview...

Our topic will be **How will I get there?**

Through this we will be exploring:

- **Land Travel** – cars, trains, diggers, trucks
- **Sea travel** – Boats, submarines, ships
- **Space travel** – rockets, space ships and planets.
- **Air travel** – aeroplanes, hot air balloons, helicopters
- **Chinese New Year** – comparing different celebrations and exploring similarities and differences
- We will also be looking at the season Spring and Winter.

### These are some of the books we are going to be learning about linked to our topic:



In addition we will also be reading lots of transport non-fiction books to help us learn new information.

### How to help at home...

- Sharing stories
- Singing Nursery Rhymes
- Singing number songs
- Allowing/encouraging independence of self-care tasks such as coats, zips, toileting, handwashing etc
- Providing fun fine motor opportunities such as playing with playdough/ threading/ painting with small brushes or cotton buds/ building with lego (the smaller the better if they're ready!)
- Opportunities to write/ mark make in practical contexts e.g shopping lists.
- Practising next phase of Tricky Words (book marks have been sent home for these)
- Recognising numbers to 20
- Adding and subtracting using objects, then on a numberline, then in our heads counting on and back.
- Practising 2D shapes names and finding corners and sides, children now need to know 3D shape names 'cone, cube, sphere, cylinder' and know the difference between 'solid 3D shapes' and 'flat 2D shapes' e.g discriminating between a triangle and a cone.

### Making vehicles

As part of our transport topic we will be making lots of different types of vehicles out of boxes and things for junk modelling. If you have any SMALL boxes, bottle tops or junk (no bigger than a shoebox/ cereal box) that we could use, please either send them into class or keep them at home to use, thank you. We are hoping each child could bring in or save a box in ideally! Thank you!



### Reading Challenge

Please make sure you read with your child at least 5 times a week, write in their reading diary and then upload this to Evidence Me before 9am each Friday. Children that have read 5 times will then be in with a chance of winning a book. This includes those children reading at home using Oxford Owl.



### Stay and Play

More information to follow, but another virtual Stay and Play will be arranged for Parents/Carers this term that will have a maths focus. This will allow parents to see how we teach Maths in school and provide you with some practical activities and games you can do with your child at home.



### Snack Money...

Please can you send £1 snack money in a name labelled envelope each week. There is also an option to pay termly. If paying termly the amount will change due to the different number of weeks in each term.



Please ensure your child brings a coat and school bag each day. Also can you please make sure that **everything** is labelled with your child's name...even shoes! If your child still hasn't brought in a waterproof suit and welly's please can you do this, thank you.



### Our School Blog...

Please check our school blog regularly. There are lots of photographs of what we have been up to in school and of special events. We also put homework up on there too. If you have a problem logging in please let one of the EYFS Staff know and we can resolve the problem as soon as we can. Please feel free to add comments to the blogs as this is something the children love to read.

### Evidence Me

Thank you to all our parents who have been using Evidence Me to share learning from home, this has been so amazing to see. Keep sending in your wow moments and learning in from home so we can celebrate in school. Well done to those children and parents at home that are using Evidence Me to sharing all your homelearning, it is brilliant for us to be able to see and support your learning from home.