

# Nursery Newsletter

Spring 1

## Celebrations

I hope you all had a wonderful and restful Christmas break, filled with joy and quality time with your loved ones. Welcome back to a new and exciting term! We are ready to dive into some fun and engaging learning experiences over the next few weeks.

This term, our theme will be 'Transport and Journeys'. We'll be exploring different ways people travel, from cars and buses to trains and boats. We'll be creating crafts, singing songs, and reading stories all about journeys and transportation!

We will continue to take part in outdoor learning sessions each week so please make sure to dress your child appropriately for the weather as it is a lot wetter and colder at the moment.

Finally, we will be celebrating Chinese New Year with some exciting activities, including exploring the traditions and symbols of this special festival.



### This half term I will

- Understand when we would use different modes of transport and where we would go.
- Categorise transport according to whether they travel on land, in the air or in the sea.
- Understand what transport helps us e.g. bin lorry, fire engine, ambulance, tractor, lifeboat and talk about why they are helpful.
- Talk about transport I have been on.
- Understand how to be safe when crossing a road.
- Share own experiences of using different types of transport.
- Talk about different jobs that involve vehicles, such as a pilot, train driver, delivery driver, taxi driver, ambulance paramedic and firefighters.
- Notice the differences between transport in the past and now.
- Understand when different types of transport might be used e.g. an aeroplane to travel somewhere far away or a bike to travel somewhere that is close by e.g. school.
- Develop skills around counting, saying number names in order and recognising numerals.
- Begin to listen and engage in longer stories.
- Develop awareness of rhyme and rhythm during phonics.

### You can support your child at home by

- Encouraging independence when getting dressed, including putting on their own shoes, socks and coat.
- Going on winter walks and talking about the change in season.
- Helping your child to understand how they are feeling by talking about their emotions.
- Continuing to read lots of stories together, talking about the author, characters and title.
- Talking about what they used to enjoy doing in the past or about different experiences they have had in the past.
- Encouraging your child to use a knife to cut their food.
- When making a drink, use the language full, half full and empty.
- Doing lots of counting when you are out and about, e.g. count how many cars you can see.
- Enjoying spending time together and having fun.

### Key Information

Bookbags are to be returned to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays, ready for a new library book to be sent home at the end of the day.  
Please make sure all of your child's belongings are labelled, including hats, coats, scarves.