



Monkton CEP School

Bee Class Newsletter

Term 5

Our topic this term is, 'Are We There Yet'



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- We are setting up a role play 'travel agents' and we will add a 'train station'. We will be linking this to our own experiences of journeys and working together to build vehicles on large and small scale

Physical Development

- We will be investigating different ways to travel around, through, on and over
- We will continue to have PE lessons and practice getting changed into our PE kits
- We will continue to have fun on the bikes, trikes and scooters and extend this to following routes to travel along

Communication and Language

- We will be learning lots of vocabulary related to vehicles and forms of transport
- We will have discussions on designing vehicles creating our own, including fantasy vehicles

Mathematics

We are learning to:

- explore addition, subtraction and number bonds to 10
- develop our problem solving ability and are beginning to try to explain 'how we know'
- use Numicon to help us with our problem solving and explanations

Literacy

- We are continuing to sound out and blend to read our own words
- We will continue to use our knowledge of letter sounds to attempting writing our own words.
We will be recapping some digraphs and trigraphs
- We are continuing to learn sight words, and become familiar with those already taught, so that we can read them quickly and instantly
- We will be following instructions and ordering information, so we can follow journeys and create model vehicles

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We will be looking at stories from, 'The Old Testament'

Other Specific Areas

- **Understanding the World** - We will be exploring and creating simple maps and learning about and comparing different forms of transport
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- **Expressive Arts and Design** - We will use a variety of resources to build and create model vehicles
- **ICT** - Children will be taught ICT through each strand of the curriculum and in their Child Initiated Learning

Vocabulary

Literacy -fiction, non-fiction, full stop, capital letter, finger space, author, illustrator.

Maths -number, amount, addition, more, altogether, how many more, subtract, fewer, take away,

Topic - forms of transport/vehicles and related vocabulary, journeys, tickets, booking, holiday, destinations, travel, travel agents, passport

Websites

- Games to aid Letters and Sounds, using the pure sound:
<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-3.html>
- Counting forwards and backwards through song:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/schoolradio/subjects/mathematics/countingsongs>
- A variety of mathematic games:
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>

Notices

- Please read with your children every day, it really does help them become fluent readers and assist their ability to decode new and unfamiliar words, as well as develop their instant recall of high frequency/tricky words.
Thank you to the parents who already do this on a regular basis
- Please can all library books be in school on Tuesdays as this is our class library session day. If your child has many library books at home can they please be returned to allow your child to take out a new selection of books

Key dates

- May Bank Holiday, Monday, 6th May
- End of Term Friday 24th May