

Year 1  
Spring term  
2023 - 2024

# Wheels, wings and other things

Which development in transport was the most important to society? Why?

## History

Children will be learning about the history of transport and key famous figures who have influenced transport through history. Children will be exploring cars, trains, airplanes and space travel.

We will be comparing different types of transport and learn how they have changed over the years.

## Science

**Seasons** - We will be learning about the different seasons, including exploring the changes in the length of day and the differences in weather in each season.

**Plants** - We will be learning about the key parts of a plant and exploring the different kinds of wild plants, garden plants and trees.

## RE

This term, we will be learning about the religion of Islam.

We will be learning about the key Muslim beliefs and finding out about the importance of prayer and the mosque to the Muslim community.

We will also be learning about the special festivals of Eid ul-Adha and Eid ul-Fitr.

## Special days

**WOW day**- local walk to complete a traffic survey

Visit to the Train Station – date to be confirmed

**Wonder day** – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March

## PE

**Spring 1** – We will be following the creative cog focusing on balancing on a line and our static balance focus is our stance. In Dance, we will be creating and linking movements together.

**Spring 2** – We will be following the creative cog with a focus on coordination and ball skills. We will be strengthening our balance further through counterbalancing with a partner.

## PHSE

Through the programme 'Zippy's Friends' we will be exploring our feelings, including feeling jealous and nervous. We will be exploring ways to use and improve our listening skills, and ways to communicate our needs and how to ask for help.

We will also explore using the internet safely and look at jobs in the local community.

## Art/ DT

**Art**- This term, we will be exploring sculpture and 3D artwork. We will be learning how to shape and use paper to create 3D pictures. We will then explore how to create a sculpture as a group using the paper shaping techniques.

**DT**- We will be exploring wheels and axels. We will be designing and making a moving vehicle.

## How to help at home:

1. Please make sure your child reads to an adult at home as much as possible. You can use the reading record provided to make notes of your reading activities.
2. Please also help and encourage your child to practice their weekly phonics and spellings patterns – please look back over previous weeks too so we can ensure these are not forgotten!
3. We would love to hear about or see any additional reading or research linked to our topics or learning. Please share with us anything extra you do at home.
4. Check the homework sheet each week for challenges, home learning and links to the online RWI phonics sessions.

## Computing

We will be using 'Purple Mash' to explore coding. We will learn how to use code blocks to create a set of instructions and how to use codes to create a simple computer program.

We will also learn how to sort and group items into categories.

## Values

**Self-belief** – We will be discussing what this means and how we can show it.

**Happiness** – How does this link to self-belief? Where is there happiness in the bible?

## Music

We will be exploring pitch and tempo. We will be making patterns with two different pitches and creating superhero theme tunes.

We will also be learning and using lots of different musical vocabulary.