

Rainbow Class Curriculum Letter September 2018

Welcome everyone to the Rainbow class.

We are really looking forward to the new academic year. This term our topic is "Journeys and transport". We will start by looking at our journey to school and then open this out to different journeys through story and different transport. This term we also cover celebrations namely Harvest and Divali. Our topic will cover the following curriculum areas.

Literacy : Story focus: The bear hunt, Handas' surprise, Mr Gumpys outing, Oi get off the train as well as following the ORT books on individual basis.

Numeracy : We will work on individual targets for children on a daily basis and encompass numeracy work through our topic. We will carry out data surveys from transport and include measurement through the topic.

Science: We will carry out simple experiments and investigate how things move, magnetism, floating and sinking and simple pushes and pulls.

Music: I am really pleased to say Rachel who works for "Jam music" will be supporting us and running class music sessions on a Thursday afternoon. We will follow these up with a musical and singing session in class.

P.E. Our PE sessions are on a Monday morning first thing and we are working on listening, controlling our movements and simple circle games. On Tuesday morning we will run SAQ sessions which addresses children's co ordination skills.

Art: We love painting and creative work and will have sessions that allow free expression through art and craft as well as art work related to our topic. Many of our children do not like wearing the standard aprons we have in school. Therefore I ask could you send in an old shirt or old top your child could wear during our painting sessions. I apologise now if your child comes home with paint or glue on their uniforms however messy can be fun!

Geography: As part of our topic we will be looking at simple maps and features in the environment.

Language and social communication and play is an integral part of all we do throughout every day.

Once our timetable has been finalised I will send you all a copy in your home school diary. Please feel free to write in the diary about what your child has been doing at home.

What we need at school:

PE kit: white shirt, shorts and plimsolls

Wellies for playground. I would also ask that your child has a waterproof coat and trousers that we can keep at school

Old shirt or clothes for messy play and painting.

Snacks All our children have the opportunity for a snack in the morning and afternoon. Toast is available for 10p a slice in the morning. Please send in snacks for your child if they do not want toast. We also have free fruit provided. Your child will also require a drink and their drinks will be available to them throughout the day.

I am really looking forward to working with this fabulous new rainbow class. Parents evening is on the last week before half term but if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me either by phone or through the home school diaries.

The Rainbow class team.