

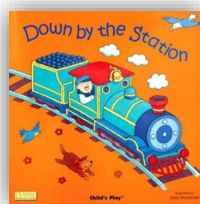


Our curriculum

We share each cohort's termly topics with you so that you can support your child with their learning at home.

Nursery topic for Spring 1: Transport

Key texts/Stories: Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, Who Sank the Boat? Down by the Station, Dig Dig Digging, When I Grow Up - Builder.



Knowledge and Understanding of the World:

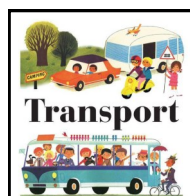
Transport Over Land, Transport Over Water.

Technology: Using computers to explore transport games using Busy Things website.

Expressive arts and design: Junk modelling, making marks using transport objects.

Reception topic for Spring 1: Transport

Key texts/stories: Journey to School, Naughty Bus, The Journey, Wheels Wings and other Things



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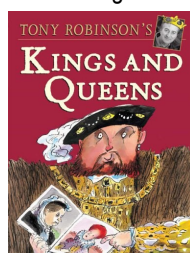
World: Transport over land, Transport over water, People who help us.

Technology: Creating graphs based on a transport survey

Expressive arts and design: Mixing colours and junk modelling.

Year 1 topic for Spring 1: Kings and Queens

Key texts/stories: Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, The Frog Prince, Cinderella.



Science: Seasonal changes - Winter/ Spring, Properties of materials

History: Henry VIII and the Tudors, Queen Victoria, Time-lines, Royal family trees

Geography: Physical and human geographical features, animal facts

Character: Respecting religious and cultural differences

French: Numbers, months of the year, common objects

Computing: Internet searches and using images

Art: Tudor portraits

PE: Moving and travelling, swimming (Seuss Class)

Music: Learning a musical instrument — Irish tin whistle



Year 2 topic for Spring 1: Perfect Planet Earth

Key texts/stories: Non-fiction – instructions and reports.

Science: Perfect Planet Earth – how to care for the environment

Geography: Africa and Kenya, comparing cultures and geographical features of locations

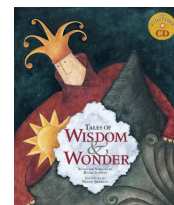
Computing: Transcribing texts and editing text and images.

Character: Fairtrade, introductions and friendship.

Art and design: Art with Nature – using nature to explore different artistic textures.

PE: Sending and receiving, balance

Music: Rhythm in singing



Year 3 subject focus Spring 1

English: The Hodgeheg by Dick King-Smith

Maths: Multiplication, Division and Time

Science: Forces - friction and magnetism

History: World War II — the Blitz

Geography: World weather

Character: Cleanliness, fairness, friendliness

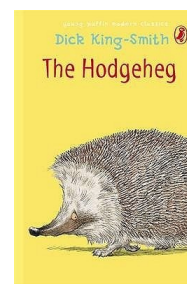
French: Parts of the body

Computing: Understanding computer networking

Art and design: developing mastery of art skills and techniques - observational drawing using chalks and pastels, modelling using card

PE: Swimming and ball and racquet skills

Music: African Djembe drumming



Year 4 subject focus Spring 1

English: The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman

Maths: Fractions, Calculations and Time

Science: Animals, including humans

History: Historical facts about Indonesia

Geography: Volcanoes, Earthquakes and Tsunamis

Character: Respecting religious and cultural differences

French: Numbers 1-31, days, months, years, birthdays and French name days

Computing: Understanding computer networking

Art and design: Art inspired by volcanoes

PE: Tag Rugby

Music: African Djembe drumming

If you would like any more information about how you can support your child's learning at home then please do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher.

Thank you

This Weeks' Class Attendance

★ **1st: Ahlberg—100%** ★

- 2nd: Walliams & J.R. Tolkien—99.16%
- 3rd: Jeffers—98.33%
- 4th: Seuss—97.58%
- 5th: Anthony Browne & Dahl—97.50%
- 6th: Rowling—97.08%
- 7th: Ada Lovelace—96.25%
- 8th: Isaac Newton—94.16%
- 9th: Hart—93%
- 10th: Donaldson—91.81%
- 11th: Murphy—91.12%
- 12th: Rosen—90.41%
- 13th: Hendra—90%



***Extra playtime for
Ahlberg Class! Well done!***

Charity Donations

A massive thank you to all parents for their kind and generous donations over the Christmas period. We were working with the local charity 'Every Parent and Child' who support families in the local area. Parents donated toys, drawing materials, teddy bears and a host of other items which will be used by the charity to support their counselling services for vulnerable children. We donated over 7 huge boxes to the charity which will have an enormous impact on the work the charity does. A huge thank you to all those who brought something in to donate.



Important dates:
Swimming lessons:

Wednesday 17th January: Seuss and Anthony Browne

First KS2 Celebration Assembly for 2017:

Friday 19th at 08:45 (Year 3 and Year 4) All pupils who achieved 100% attendance for the whole of the Autumn term will be called to stand and later receive their certificate by their class teacher

Next EYFS and KS1 Celebration assemblies:

Friday 26th January at 08:45 (Reception—Year 2)

KS2 Academy Council Assembly:

Friday 19th at 08:45 (Year 3 & Year 4)

Year 1 phonics check workshop:

Monday 15th at 3:00pm. This meeting is for parents whose children are new to Year 1 and parents who need to support their child in passing the phonics screening test.

Library Visits:

Monday 15th January— Jeffers Class

Friday 19th January— Seuss Class

AJK Scholars

Definition of a scholar: *a person who is highly educated or has an aptitude for study*
Pupils chosen to be the scholar of the week are selected because they consistently demonstrate our KEATS values:

Kindness Effort Aspiration Tenacity Success

Reception:

Theodore in Rosen Class **Ella & Makaila** in Ahlberg Class **Scarlett** in Donaldson Class

Year 1:

Riley & Zara in Jeffers Class **Levi** in Murphy Class **Tahsin** in Seuss Class

Year 2:

Aisha & Narin in Dahl Class **Berzan** in Walliams Class **Caner** in Rowling Class

Well done all of you for being AJK scholars.