

EYFS Curriculum Overview Spring 2019

The essential question for the term is "How would you get there?" and our learning is based around the theme of journeys. We began our topic with a seasonal look at cold weather and places far afield that have a significantly different climate to our own. The children had lots of opportunities to explore ice as they freed everything from phonics clues to dinosaurs from chunks of ice. They made their own ice decorations, wrote their own set of instructions and made their own ice lollies. The children will be travelling by mini bus to the Eden project where we will explore the mediterranean and rainforest biomes and then travel under our own steam as we go ice skating.

The next part of our topic will centre on a music and movement unit as we find out about traditions around the Chinese New Year and travel by dancing with ribbons, kites and of course like a dragon! We are hoping to visit a real Chinese restaurant and perform our dances to parents.

Next half term there will be a focus on wheels. We will use the story of Mrs Armitage On Wheels as our starting point to invent our own "better bike". The children will explore cogs and wheels and learn how to ride a balance bike and all about road safety.

After that we will be making our own role-play train station in the classroom, making 3D maps of train journeys, sequencing the story "The Train Ride" and taking our own journey on the train to St Ives to visit the Barbara Hepworth museum, the beach and the town - we might even have an ice-cream once we get there! The term will end by finding out about some traditions relating to Easter and our annual Easter Egg hunt which is the first major transition event of the year for the nursery children and their families.