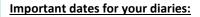
Dear Parents & Carers

We hope you enjoyed your half term break and are looking forward to the start of Spring and the lighter evenings. The theme for the first half of this term will be 'Transport'. As well as our over-arching theme, we are led by the children's interests, so who knows where they will take us this term. Throughout the term we will continue to share your child's learning via the Dojo app.



Shrove Tuesday 21st February 2023

World Book Day Thursday 2nd March (Fairy Tales Theme)

Mini Condors Class Assembly Thursday 16th March

Mini Merlins Class Assembly Thursday 23rd March

Parents Evening 13th & 14th March

Reading books will come home on a **Thursday**. Please ensure your child returns their book on a **Monday** each week. Your child will also bring home a book from the library. Please return this with their reading book.

In Maths

As mathematicians, we will be exploring Length and Height, Time then developing our understanding of the numbers 9 & 10. We will learn to represent these numbers in different ways and explore our number bonds to 10.

Physical Development

Each child will take part in their weekly PE sessions on a Friday. We will continue with the daily mile and our focus in PE with be fundamental movement skills.

Communication Language and Literacy

Our T4W (Talk 4 Writing) focus this term will be story imitation and information texts. The main text we will be using is 'Elmer' by David McKee.

We will be reading a range of other fiction and non-fiction texts like The Naughty Bus and Mr Grumpy's Motor Car. We will continue to develop our speaking skills by re-telling stories and learning traditional Nursery Rhymes.

Daily phonics sessions will continue with a review of Phase 3 then double letters before moving on to Phase 4. The children will not learn any more new sounds this term, but they should continue to practise the sounds already taught.



Thank you for your continued support at home.



Personal, Social and Emotional

We will continue to work developing resilience and perseverance during challenges. We will be supporting children to negotiate/resolve conflicts and talk about themselves positively and confidently.

We will explore Online Safety and different working roles in their families

Home Learning

Please support your child by practising the sounds and tricky words learnt in phonics. Please read with your child as often as possible.

Follow this link for an overview of all the sounds the children will learn this term: <u>https://youtu.be/DvOu</u> <u>c7cWXxc</u>

Understanding the World

The children will be exploring transport: past and present and this will include learning about Road Safety. We will investigate Spring and seasonal change. Learn about new life and the story of Easter.

There are many celebrations to find out about during this half term, including Holi, St David's Day and Mothering Sunday.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will continue to learn lots of different songs and nursery rhymes and explore pitch and rhythm.

We will be exploring line and colour creating art work inspired by the artist Kandinsky.

We will design and create boats that floats and another vehicle that moves with wheels.