Communication and Language:



- Talking about our experiences using transport and the places we visit.
- Learning new vocabulary we need to talk about transport, including: 'steampowered', 'electric', 'wheels', 'tires', 'destination' and 'passengers'.
- Continuing to use "Talk for Writing" storymapping techniques to innovate stories and re-tell them in a different way.

Literacy:



- Continuing Read Write, Inc phonics sessions, finishing the Set 1 sounds beginning to read short ditties.
- Using our book of the week as inspiration for writing words, captions and labels CVC words including Don't Let the Pigeon Drive The Bus, Little Rabbit Foo Foo and The Way Back Home.
- Beginning to write sentences by sequencing CVC words with nonphonetic 'red words', e.g.: 'the', 'l', 'a'.

Physical Development:



- Using large construction resources (both inside and outside) to create our own vehicles.
- Gaining more confidence in our effective use of tools, including scissors, hammers, and pencils for writing.
- Exploring balancing apparatus in PE lessons.

Our topic this half term is:

Ready, Set, Go!



Understanding the World:



- Learning how buses and trains have changed over the last 200 years.
- Using "Pop-pop" boats to discover how a steam engine works.
- Learning about how and why people celebrate the festivals of Chinese New Year and Valentine's Day.

Outdoor Learning and Special Experiences:

- We will visit to the London Transport Museum in Covent Garden to see trains and buses from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.
- We will go on a Transport Hunt in Markfield Park, creating a tally chart of the vehicles we see on our outing.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:



- Thinking about effects (both positive and negative) that transport might have on our World.
- Revisiting how we can stay safe when travelling in public.
- Getting changed and un-changed for PE with minimal adult support.

Mathematics:



- Learning about what "zero" means and how we can represent this.
- Learning different ways of making the numbers 4 and 5.
- Using water inside and outside the classroom to explore capacity.

Expressive Arts and Design:



- Learning to sing the song version of *Magic Train Ride*.
- Using lolly sticks and glue to create rafts that really float!
- Using a mix of different media to create scenes from *Mr Gumpy's Outing*.