

# Kidbrooke Park Primary School



## Nursery Learning Overview

### Summer 2 – Journeys and Transition

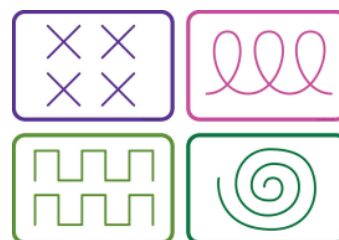
#### Our topic and learning

This half-term, the EYFS topic is Journeys and Holidays. Through this theme, children will explore different types of journeys and holidays and begin to understand how people travel to a variety of destinations. They will learn about different forms of transport; places people visit and the preparations needed before going on a journey or holiday. The topic will also provide opportunities for children to:

- Develop an understanding of what a journey or holiday is and the different forms these can take.
- Explore a range of transport used on land, in the air, and on water.
  - Learn why people go on holidays and discover different types of holidays.
- Begin to understand that people live in countries all around the world and that some journeys involve travelling to other countries.
- Recognise that there are many countries in the world and that people can travel to places both near and far.

#### Writing and Phonics

As we prepare for Reception, we are practising the skills we will need every day. All children are practising:



-The letters of their name, formed correctly, using 'The Language of Letter Formation'.

- When practising letter formation, please make sure your child says the method aloud – this will help them form the letters independently and fully embed the formation of each letter.

-Daily phonics, where we are learning to recognise initial sounds, blend learnt phonemes together to form words and begin to recognise letters around our environment. Try making different words with the sounds 'SATPIN'.

-Pre-handwriting patterns to support early letter formation  
-The 'pinch, pinch flip!' method for correct pencil grip. This should be a tripod grip, with our index and thumb gripping the pencil and three fingers underneath to support.

#### The Prime Areas of Learning Communication and Language

Nursery children are learning to talk about subjects in more detail, with more complexity and richer language. We will be following instructions of increasing length (as well as planning routes, sequences and programming). We are learning to ask questions, explain and understand how to use and respond to an increasing range of 'wh' questions (why, what, how, when, where and who), as well as notice, observe and comment on our surroundings.

#### Personal, Social and Emotional

Transition is our main focus this term. We will explore our brand new Reception playground and learn about new routines; e.g. routine of having lunch in the lunch hall, play times, etc. Nursery will also spend time making a transition booklet to help them feel supported and confident as they move into the next phase of their learning journey.

#### Physical Development (Fine and Gross Motor Skills)

This term, we have got Sports Day to showcase our physical skills! Sports Day is:

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 9:30am – 10:15am**

All Nursery children will need suncream, a sunhat, their t-shirt and water bottle.

#### Nursery's Special Books

'The Naughty Bus' by Jan Oke  
'The Train Ride' by June Crebbins  
'Let's Go For a Walk' by Hamza Yassin  
'Martha Maps It Out' by Leigh Hodgkinson  
'Summer is Here' by Rennie Watson  
'Mr Gumpy's Outing' by John Burningham  
'The Colour Monster Goes To School' by Anna Llenas

#### Maths

In Maths, we are revisiting subitising and counting to a given amount. Children are learning to program and design their own maps and routes, representing these ideas in their play, marks and drawings. Tallying is a



target for us, we are learning to represent numbers with any mark (crosses, hearts, circles – all good writing practise, too). We will revisit numbers to five, looking at number bonds (two numbers that go together to make another, for example, bonds to five, or ten).

#### Forest School

The weather is warmer and Forest School begins again, full of life, colour, minibeasts and flowers for children to enjoy. Please make sure your child has a long sleeve top, long sleeve trousers (jeans to protect against thorns and bugs) and suncream/sunhat for hot days. As the weather is changeable, please ensure children still bring their waterproof trousers. These must be weather appropriate (not fleece lined). We will be having our usual juice and biscuit for our snack.

#### A message from the Nursery Team

We have loved having every single Nursery student with us this year. We couldn't be any prouder of their big hearts, curiosity, kindness and their amazing learning. We wish them all the best for their new journey in Reception. Please come and speak to us if you have any concerns about transition.

**-Mrs Gardner and the Nursery Team**