



# Robins Class Newsletter Spring 1

Dear Parents/Carers



## Our class topics



Our topic this half term is **Transport**. We will be learning about different types of transport, how we travel, and how transport has changed over time. The children will explore vehicles we see in our community and around the world, linking our learning to stories, play, and real-life experiences.

### At home you could:

- Talk about different ways you travel to school or visit family.
- Look at vehicles when you are out and about (cars, buses, trains, bikes).
- Share books or pictures about transport and journeys.

## English and Communication

Our English focus this half term is **Stories about transport**. We will be sharing and retelling stories linked to vehicles and journeys, developing vocabulary, listening skills, and confidence in speaking.

### At home you could:

- Read transport-themed stories together.
- Encourage your child to talk about their favourite vehicle and why they like it.
- Act out journeys using toys or small-world play.

## Maths

In Maths, our focus this half term is **Distance**. We will explore ideas such as near and far, long and short, and compare distances through play and practical activities.

### At home you could:

- Talk about which journeys are near or far.
- Compare distances when walking (e.g. to the shop vs. to school).
- Use toys to explore short and long tracks or roads.

We hope you had a lovely break and would like to welcome you to the Spring 1 term. We are looking forward to an exciting term of learning and exploring together in Robins class. As always, please continue to share any experiences, pictures, or weekend adventures with us through the home-school link book or by email. Please continue to share any experiences, pictures, or weekend adventures with us through the home school link book or by email: [zeynep.ayhan@riverside.hants.sch.uk](mailto:zeynep.ayhan@riverside.hants.sch.uk)

## Topic key language

Some of the key words we will focus on this term are Travel, Car, Train, Boat, Bike, Prayer.



## Robins Class staff



Mrs. Zeynep Ayhan - Class teacher (Mon/Tues /Wed/ Fri) / Mrs. Jemma Warren (Th - pm ppa cover) and Andrea Hazel (Th - a.m. PPA cover). Miss Sam Henry (Mon /Tue/Th/Fri) / Miss Naomi Bowley (Wed/Th) Miss Kelsey Westrope /Amy V / Miss Zoe Hall (Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri)

## Reading and wellies.

Please continue to read with your child at home. Talk about stories, pictures, and instructions. Record any reading in the yellow reading record book. Ensure the book and record come to school every day.

As we will be exploring outdoors, please send in named coats, wellies, and spare clothes.

## PE

Robins class will continue to follow the Early Physical Development Programme, focusing on balance, coordination, and movement skills. Please ensure your child comes to school in comfortable clothing suitable for PE on Fridays.

## Important dates

- Parents evening - Week commencing 26<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Chinese New Year - Week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> Feb.
- Last day of term - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February.
- Return to school after break - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

Please keep an eye on the school website and in bookbags for further information and updates.