

Butterflies Class Newsletter

Summer 2- 2026



Welcome back! We hope you all had a fun and restful break!



Topic



Our topic this half term is transport. For this we will look at a wide range of vehicles including cars, buses, trains, boats and planes.

In history we will explore how different vehicles have changed over time. In science we will explore buoyancy. In Geography we hope to get out and about in the local area to experience some different transport ourselves.

At home you could:

- Take a form of public transport
- Find and look at images of old cars, trains etc
- Experiment with what materials float
- Make a model of your choice of vehicle

English



We will continue to explore our topic of transport through English. We will read a range of vehicle related texts including Percy's bumpy ride, big blue train, racoon and the hot air balloon, Rusty's train ride, I love my bike and car car truck jeep.

Over the term we will focus on building our fine motor and writing skills. We will look at using adjectives and work towards writing descriptive sentences.

We will also continue to develop our reading skills, specifically reading aloud, recalling events and characters and answering questions about a text.

At home you could:

- Share a story and practice answering comprehension questions
- Find an object (a car for example) and practice generating descriptive words

Maths



Our topic in Maths this half term is data handling.

We will focus on using tally charts and pictograms to report data surrounding our favourite mode of transport.

We will also continue carrying out number work, practicing partitioning numbers and linking this to addition and subtraction.

At home you could:

- Listen to a counting song
- Use objects around the house to practice adding and subtracting
- Go for a walk and create a tally chart of what types of transport you see



Butterflies Class Staff



Class Teacher-	Olivia Bate (T, W, Th, F)
Learning Support Assistants	Sophie Heath (M, T, W, Th, F) Reanna Pharoah (M, T, W, Th, F) Justine Gillett (M, T, Thu) Sarah Hoskin (M, W, Th am, F)
Staffing news: Sarah Hoskin will teach all day Monday and Thursday morning. Jemma Warren will teach on a Tuesday morning.	

PE



We have PE in Butterflies Class on Tuesday.

Please send your child in with an appropriate named t-shirt, shorts and trainers.

Important Dates

- Wednesday 8th July- Sports Event Afternoon - more info to follow.
- Wednesday 22nd July - Last day of term (early finish)

Please remember:

We will be participating in a lot of outdoor learning sessions this term and as the weather is getting warmer and sunnier it is important to be sending your child in with the appropriate clothing, including sun hats, and with sunscreen on.

If you engage with any home learning, we would love to see it and share it in school, feel free to email any photos to my work email.

Please also remember I am available at my work email olivia.bate@riverside.hants.sch.uk or the school telephone 02392250138 if you have anything you need to discuss.

Thank you (: