



## WILLASTON PRE-SCHOOL Newsletter – Spring 1

Welcome back. We hope you have had a happy, healthy Christmas break. Given the current situation, it's even more important that you keep your child at home if they have Covid symptoms. We will be continuing with the staggered times for picking up and dropping off and the extra cleaning and handwashing.

This half term our topic will be "Transport" We will be looking at different books each week.

Week 1	Family celebration and we all go travelling by (4/1/22)
Week 2	Roads - the Naughty bus (10/1/22)
Week 3	Flights - Room on a broom (17/1/22)
Week 4	Rail - The train ride (24/1/22)
Week 5	Water - Row row row your boat (31/1/22)
Week 6	Construction and emergency - trucks and diggers (7/2/22)
Week 7	We all go travelling by (14/2/22)

**Suitable named clothing-** We will be outside for as much time as the weather allows so continue to send in wellies, waterproofs, hats etc. If you would like to send slippers and wellies, instead of shoes, then that is fine. Please name all clothing, footwear, lunch boxes and drinks bottles.

**Explorer days-** These will start on Week 2- Hunting for the naughty bus. I wonder how many different sorts of transport we will see? There will be park visits and walks around the village, as well as interacting with their surroundings. We will be teaching them road safety and how to look after our environment.

**Library** - We will continue to share the library book, that your child chooses, with them and comment in their book what they have been working on. Please make sure that their book comes with them every day. As I'm sure you are aware, all the children have different days so it's difficult for us to hear everyone without rearranging a 1-1 time because they have not brought their book. This term we will be planning a trip to the Library (Covid permitting) - there will be an email with details when we know what the restrictions are.

**Phonics-** Your child will be having 20 mins of focussed phonics each day that they attend, as determined by what they are developmentally ready for. We will all be covering aspects of level one but the children who are going to school this September will be working on phase 2. The sequence the letters are taught in and the aspects that are covered in phase 1 can all be found online

[www.letters-and-sounds.com](http://www.letters-and-sounds.com)

**We break up on Friday 18th Feb and return on Mon 28th Feb**

Finally, as always, we are here to help! If you have any concerns or questions, big or small, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

Thank you for all your support.

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