Getting involved in your child's learning: Autumn 2

We will celebrate World Nursery Rhyme week during the week of the 13th November - focusing on the 5 rhymes; Jack and Jill, Hickory Dickory Dock, Head, Shoulders, Row, Row your boat and Wheels on the bus. We will learn and practise our rhymes in nursery, and encourage you to try at home too! More information to follow closer to the time.

Nursery Rhymes are great for developing understanding and skills across all areas including literacy and maths! We will

continue to a have a weekly 'Nursery Rhyme' (or two!) for you to learn at home across the half term too!

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We will be introducing our nursery library! Your child will be given a labelled bag to protect their nursery book on the way to and from school in all weathers! Your child will be able to choose a new book each time they return the book they have finished - this can be every day if that works for you and your child, or less frequently if you would like to hold on to a book to read a few times before returning it for another family to enjoy. Please do help your child to treat these books with care.

We would love to see photos of you enjoying your nursery library books - please email them to us at

<u>nurseryinbox@wellington.bradford.sch.uk</u> so we can take a look at them together on our Interactive Whiteboard!

Our topic this half term is transport! We will be looking at different types of transport. We will also be reading transport stories, learning songs, building our own roads and train tracks and creating vehicles using a variety of construction materials! We will look at where they travel - air, water or land. A special focus on emergency vehicles and road safety will also be included.



If you or your family have any interesting or unusual modes of transport please do let us know as we would love to learn more together and be inspired!

We will also be learning about a variety of celebrations this half term including Diwali, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Hannukah and Christmas. We will explore, in an age appropriate way, the stories behind these celebrations and their relevance to us, and encourage children to consider and celebrate similarities and differences in what we celebrate and how we celebrate.

We would love to hear about your family experiences of these celebrations so please do email any photos to us at nurseryinbox@wellington.bradford.sch.uk so we can take a look at them together on our Interactive Whiteboard!

Personal skills and independence

Throughout their time in nursery children are continuously developing their independent self management skills such as toileting, hand washing and putting on coats. During winter, as the temperature drops, we often have more layers and hats, gloves and scarves to put on and take off. Teaching your children to do these things will help them to develop a sense of independence, capability and pride and will also support development of their fine motor skills and dexterity! Please support practise of this at home, and don't forget to label coats, hats etc to help us reunite any misplaced items with their owners!

If you have any other questions, please email:

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Key vocabulary

rhyme sound end word same two three four five one aeroplane bike train bus car lorry fire engine ambulance truck Diwali light fireworks bonfire night fire Hannukah Christmas