



# Railway Street Nursery School

## June Topic Information

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### Topics

During June our theme will be Summer and Transport, we will reinforce all colours and our shapes.

### Pro Social Behaviour Focus

We continue to encourage focused, settled and productive play where a high level of involvement is obvious.

### INDEPENDENCE

The children are all very independent in all aspects of the nursery day. We continue to support those children who are showing an interest in writing their name, supporting them with correct formation and encouraging them to write their name on their work to label it.

### SAND

At the sand trays the children will be concentrating on developing their cooperative play skills as they work with seaside resources. They will also be thinking about how ice cream is made as they use scoops and cones. Staff will be supporting the children as they develop their understanding of the world around them and in particular how various methods of transport. We continue to build up the resources in the sand area which will allow the children access to additional materials to extend and deepen their involvement.

### Water

This month the children will be using various sea creatures and boats in the water tray. This will allow them to explore further the concept of floating and sinking.

### CREATIVE AND AESTHETIC AREAS

This month the children will explore how to join various sized boxes together to create methods of transport. This activity will also support their ability to plan and carry through a project to a successful conclusion. Various collage activities will support and extend the children's ability to work together as a group, their ability to describe what they are creating and how they intend to achieve it and will also expand their spatial awareness skills.

### Malleable

Using natural materials such as seaweed, pebbles and shells at the dough this month will help the children work on consolidating their counting skills and also boost their language skills as they chat about what they are creating and where it is found. We will also work on extending the children's vocabulary. Staff will also use the dough to stimulate the children's group cooperative skills and to reinforce their concept of size and shape.

### Role Play and House Corner

Be prepared to buy lots of ice cream this month as the children experience our Ice Cream Shop! Staff will be supporting and extending language, encouraging the children to make informed choices and express individuality as they order their preferred flavour!! The tee pee will be transformed to a summer house with BBQ, deckchairs while the home corner will have the addition of suitcases and picnic basket etc. to extend the children's role play and language skills as they talk about holidays.

### FLOOR PLAY

Work in this area will focus on our transport theme, and the children will be working on constructing airports, car parks, train stations etc. using blocks. A range of transport will extend the children's ability to play imaginatively and creatively.

### SMALL IMAGINATIVE PLAY

This month we will work on the world around us as the children use the train set, airport, car mat and car park to develop their imagination. Staff will incorporate the transport into play so children can make observations, comparisons and explore how various types of transport move and travel. The children's language will be extended as they name and become familiar with types of transport.

### Language and Literacy

This month we will focus on further developing pre-writing skills, particularly reinforcing that we read and write from left to right. Staff will also work to extend summer and transport related vocabulary as well as phonological awareness including rhyme and sound. The children will be encouraged to use their thinking skills to answer- why, how, what questions in the course of play? They will not only recognise their own name but begin to recognise peer names in print.

### MATHS AREA

The children will be using transport and sorting sets to reinforce their counting and sorting skills. They will also use fishing games, acromaths sets and sequencing games to reinforce counting, number recognition and awareness of time and sequence.

### Mark Making

The focus in this area will be on pencil grip and control and staff will also be reinforcing working from left to right and the children's awareness of pattern. The children will develop pre writing skills as they write postcards and tickets for journeys, as they work at the travel agents. Looking through brochures will reinforce that print has meaning and children will develop and awareness of the world around them as they look at maps and a globe.

### CONSTRUCTION

The children will use a variety of equipment to explore how to join things. Staff will also challenge the children to fully use the space available to them as they work with three dimensional shapes.

### Outdoor

The emphasis this month will be on Summer and we look forward to reinforcing safety in the sun and the children having the opportunity to spend a large part of their day enjoying play activities outdoors, enjoying picnics and races. We hope to continue to use the parachute to work on teamwork and cooperation, and as the sun shines, we will be working on large scale projects outside.