

STJB Year One

Out and About



Dear Parents/Carers

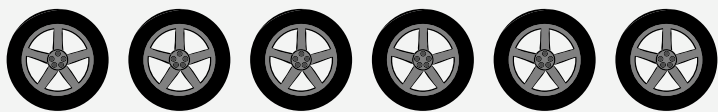
Our topic for this term is called 'Out and About'.

In English, we will be reading 'Mrs. Armitage on Wheels', where we will explore all things with wheels! From bicycles to scooters, we will be labeling and discovering the different parts and their functions. After half term we will write about the Olympics and find out about some well known athletes.

In Maths, our focus will be on building a strong foundation in number sense. We will explore the composition of numbers up to 20, master addition and subtraction facts within 20, and delve into the composition of numbers up to 100, including breaking them into tens and ones. Additionally, we will tackle concepts such as counting in 10s up to 100, understanding money, counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s, exploring position and direction, and learning about telling time.

In Science, we will be immersed in the fascinating world of plants. The children will have the opportunity to identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, distinguishing between deciduous and evergreen trees. We will find out about the basic structure of flowering plants and trees.

In Education for Safety, our focus will be on promoting health and well-being. The children will learn to differentiate between feeling well and unwell, identifying associated feelings. We will explore the importance of maintaining our bodies' well-being and discuss ways to prevent illness, including understanding the concept of germs and how they spread. We will learn about the purpose and safety guidelines for taking medicines, as well as who can administer them.



In R.E, our focus will be on the themes of 'Jesus as a Friend' and 'What Did Jesus Teach Us?' Through exploring stories and teachings from the Bible, the children will have the opportunity to reflect on the valuable lessons we can learn from them.

In Computing, we will learn about coding, how to create simple spreadsheets, and gain a foundational understanding of computing concepts beyond the classroom.

In History, we will discover the evolution of the bicycle, with a particular focus on the pioneering work of James Starley. A highlight of our exploration will be a visit to the Amberley Working Museum, where we will immerse ourselves in the rich history of transport and spend time looking at their display on bicycles through the ages.

In Geography, we will explore seasonal weather patterns in the UK, gaining insight into the factors that influence climate variations throughout the year.

In Design and Technology, the children will design and construct their own unique vehicles.

In Art, we will draw inspiration from the artist Shelia Hicks, as the children develop their skills in cutting, arranging, stitching, and weaving to create textile artworks of their own.

In Music, we will explore different funk music pieces, experiment with vocal and instrumental expression, and learn to perform "Big Bear Funk".

In P.E, we will learn a lively country dancing in preparation for our performance at the Summer Revels. Additionally, we will focus on mastering fundamental movements such as running, jumping, throwing, and catching, while also developing balance, agility, and coordination through various activities and games.

This is just an outline of what the children will be exploring during this topic.

Homework

We would like the children to read daily as this will have the biggest impact on your child's learning; please sign their reading diary when you have read together.

We will be sending home weekly maths and phonics tasks to support your child with their learning. Homework will go home on a Thursday and needs handing in the following Tuesday.