



# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

EYFS Curriculum NewSletter

Spring 1

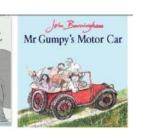
### Communication and Language

Our Literacy texts for this half term will focus on our topic of 'Transport' and 'Materials and Joins'. These books are part ofour reading spine. We hope you will enjoy reading these books with your child at home. The focus for our lessons and provision will be to develop the children's vocabulary, especially around forces and materials.









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## Physical Development

### Reception:

We will use lots of different ways of moving with fluency and control. We will also practise climbing over, under and through obstacles. In PE, we will continue to learn how to throw and catch.

We will also develop our cutting and threading skills.

#### Nursery:

We will continue to learn how to be run, jump, hop and use large muscle movements through collaborative games.

We will develop our pencil grip and start to put our coats on independently.

# Personal and Emotional Development

This half term the children will be focusing on recognising the feelings of others based on their expressions and actions. They will learn how to keep trying when things get difficult and regulate their behaviour. We will also be focusing on building resilience, independence and self-confidence skills.

### Maths

Our main aim this half term is to continue to develop our knowledge surrounding number and numerical patterns through practical activities and using manipulatives. We will practise reciting numbers, counting objects and comparing different quantities and have a deep understanding of number bonds of numbers to 5. We will compare quantities and begin to use addition and subtraction. We will also learn about measurements and capacity.

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### Understanding the World

In our 'Transport' topic we will be looking at forces.

We will learn that we can make things move, slow down, stop or change shape by applying force (push or pull). We will investigate how can make things move more easily (with less force) and faster by adapting them such as putting wheels on them. We will visit a car garage to understand how vehicles are maintained.

### Literacy

We will be leading our topic with the stories in the 'Communication and Language' box. In Reception, we will be reading and writing a simple sentence from each story which will also include a non-decodable word such as 'the' 'they' and 'there.'

In Nursery, we will learn how to hear sounds in words through 'Fred games.' We will also continue to learn how to write our name.

### Expressive Art and Design

We will be planning, designing and testing our own houses for the three little pigs.



## Understanding the World

In our 'Materials and Joins' topic we will understand that things that we use every day are made for us by people who had the idea, designed the article and then made or built it. We will construct model houses, bridges and cars using different tools and materials. We will learn how to join some materials carefully and handle different materials and tools such as cardboard, glue, fabric, and staples.

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