

## Texts we will use to explore our

### focus:



## Personal Social and Emotional Development

This Half term we will be focusing on Dream and Goals using Jigsaw. We will look at the themes of: challenge, never giving up, setting a goal, obstacles and support, helping others to achieve their goals and discussing what it feels like to achieve a goal.



## Phonics:

This Half term we will focus on long vowel digraphs and trigraphs: ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, oo, and then move onto 'R' controlled consonants ar, or, and ur. We will be using our phonics skills to write captions, labels and some short dictated sentences and will learn some more irregular (Tricky) words.



## Communication and Language, Literacy and Over-arching Focus:

We will use the books above to explore our focus on Transport- Ticket to ride.

The Jolly Postman will take us down the road of writing letters and tracking how long they take to travel around the world. We will then look at learning and re-telling the gingerbread man through story mapping, actions and sentence writing. We will also open our own Post Office. We will answer phones and deal with customers and sort post.

The Hundred Decker bus will provide an opportunity for us to learn and use some rich descriptive vocabulary, design our own Decks on a bus, label them and take the Cherry Brook bus on a journey which we will map and tell the narrative for. We will open our Mechanics garage and petrol station Outside where we will work together to service, fix and drive vehicles.

Mrs Armitage on Wheels and Duck in Truck will inspire our inventive skills to design and build our own types of transport and join in with rhyming phrases.

We will then go to space with Astro Girl and look at what it is like to work for Nasa or go to space. Our Role play will focus on the Nasa communication centre and people who work for Nasa now and then.

## Expressive art and Design.

We will be designing Vehicles based on those we have seen in books and museums. This Half Term our focus will be on developing our skills in using tools to create and make with a variety of materials. We will be retelling narratives with our own story maps and building new journeys for these characters. In Music, we will be looking at connecting Devon to the world through songs. We will learn and be exposed to songs from Africa, North America India and Dartmoor Folk. We will also be delving into the world of Storytelling for National Story Telling week.

## Maths

In Maths, we will be building our deep understanding of the numbers to 10 by focusing on 6,7 and 8. We will be finding them, representing them, exploring different compositions of each number and subitising to see an amount quickly. We will look at 1 more and 1 less as we move through these numbers. We will also be looking at exploring height, capacity and balancing as well as doubling facts to 8 and odd and even numbers.



## Understanding the world.

Our Overarching focus lends itself to Geography. This Half term we will be look at how people travel across the world, how long it takes to get to different places using Maps and google earth as an aid. We will look at Jobs and the history of Nasa, Space travel and space. To further our understanding of what times are special and how people celebrate, We will be looking at Chinese New Year, Eid and Lent.

## Physical Development

Our Focus in PE this half term is on ball skills and in particular throwing and catching. We will be developing our fine motor skills and use of tools in our many making projects this half term where we will design and build transport and Decks for double decker busses. We will focus on cutting and fixing skills. In our outside area we will have a garage and mechanics shop where we will need to use both our gross and fine motor skills to repair, service and drive the vehicles.