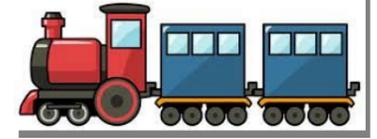


Ticket to Ride!



Welcome back to Ermington Primary School. I hope you all had a relaxing break and feel rejuvenated for the summer term. We had a wonderful spring term. I was particularly impressed with the children's passion for learning and making a difference within our local area. The children were empowered to pick up plastic and take care of the wildlife around us.

This term we are focussing on our local area, specifically what is in our local area and how to get there using a variety of transport. As ever, please don't hesitate to ask me any questions around your child's learning, either at the start or end of the day.

Many thanks, Miss Harding

As explorers we will:

Discuss how the children get to school and whether this varies and why. We will make and build simple maps of our local area, thinking about the key features of Ermington. We will explore a range of different types of transport used by the children to get to school and use our maps to navigate around the local area.

As explorers, we will then branch out to the past and explore transport used. We will consider why transport has changed over time and what difference this has made to our lives.

We will learn about significant inspirational people from the past who used different types of transport. For example, we will track the adventures of Amelia Earhart and consider why we still remember her today.

The children will have many opportunities to embed their learning in their play... and we can't wait to share these moments with you on our class DB page!



As mathematicians we will:

Expand our awareness of numbers to 20 and beyond. We will also explore shapes, both 3D and 2D. We will learn how to rotate, manipulate and arrange shapes.

Finally we will focus on visualising and building maps. We will replicate building scenes, describe positions and create our own maps.



As artists and designers we will:

Have the opportunity to use a range of tools and materials in different ways to design and create. For example, we will build rockets to take Neil Armstrong to the moon!

Reading and writing at Ermington

At Ermington, we hugely value the importance of listening to and sharing books. We use every opportunity to share a book! If you have a book at home that links to our current learning, please share it with the class.

Please read with/to your child every day. This could be reading; the weekly Read Write Inc book, a menu, street signs, a favourite book, or instructions for a Lego creation.

At Ermington, we use Read Write Inc to teach phonics. In the summer term, the children in Foundation learn to recognise special friends (two or three letters that make one sound) and read and write using the sounds they have learnt.

Throughout the summer term we will support the children to develop their love of writing, by showing children how to write within their play and supporting them to do this independently.



As scientists we will:

Continue to observe and discuss the seasonal change into spring then summer!

We will explore changes in weather, animals, plants and trees.

We will also explore the concept of momentum and use an assortment of materials to experiment with friction.



As healthy movers we will:

In the first half term, we will have weekly Forest School sessions where we will explore the movement of our bodies in the outdoors. We will build, carry, balance, climb, run, roll and much more. In the second half term, we will have weekly PE sessions with an Argyle coach. Josh teaches the children team games and a variety of PE skills.



As respectful members of Ermington we will:



Discuss what it means to be a good friend. We will try to replicate these attitudes within our play and around the school environment. We will discuss what it means to respect our bodies and share how we have changed since we were a baby, and how we will continue to change throughout our life as we grow up.

As musicians we will:

Listen to a variety of different songs and use our body movements to reflect our mood. We will share our thoughts on different songs and listen out for the instruments used. We will also learn lots of new songs!