

# Reception News

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2010  
A BELATED HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Our topic is Transport

### Mathematical Development (MD)

To sort and match objects. To solve simple problems.

The children have been working on problem solving in real life contexts. They have collected information, sorted the information, used it to make a pictogram and found the conclusion to a set problem. At home you could practise sorting skills- sort the toys into the correct box or find all the ways you can sort the toys- by colour, type, size etc.

### Communication, Language and Literacy (C,L,L)

To hear and say sound in words. To segment, blend and manipulate phonemes in and out of words.

Encourage your child to hear as many sounds in words as they can- give them simple words to try to write but be aware of the sounds we have learnt and try to give them words containing these sounds.

### Creative Development (CD)

To explore colour.

The children have been learning how to use the primary colours red, blue and yellow to mix the secondary colours purple, orange and green. They have also explored mixing their own colours and making paints with different textures.

### Knowledge and Understanding of the World (KUW)

To ask questions and make predictions.

The children have been investigating texture and have been testing the friction of different surfaces using cars and ramps.

### Physical Development (PD)

To use small equipment with a range of basic skills.

The children have been developing their ball skills, working on throwing and catching accurately.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

To understand the consequences of their actions.

The children have been thinking about road safety and have made up their own rules for crossing the road safely. We hope they will share what they have learnt with you and that you will support them in learning to cross roads safely by finding safe places to cross and discussing how to be safe.

## Drop in sessions

Now that the children have fully settled at school, we would like to start our weekly drop in mornings.

You are welcome to join us in class every

Wednesday morning from 8.40-9.15

giving you a chance to see what the children have been doing, ask any questions you may have or just play!!!! We welcome younger brothers and sister so please feel free to bring them too. In the past these sessions have proved very enjoyable and we hope you can join us.

## General Notes

Welcome back to a new term. We hope you all had a relaxing Christmas and wish you all a Happy New Year. Just a reminder that our curriculum does involve a lot of outdoor activities and, as Winter sets in, it is very important that this continues. Please ensure that your child comes to school with appropriate outdoor clothing and that this is named. We do use messy resources outside and, despite wearing protective aprons, the children can still get messy. It would also be very helpful if your child could practise doing up their own coat. The children have also started to use their wellies regularly so if your child does not have wellies in school could you please provide them with some.

Thanks from the Reception team.