

Topic Overview

Autumn 1 2026/2027



Communication & Language

For our first half term, our topic will be **Rhymes** and our main focus will be Communication & Language. This is a prime area that strongly supports the other 6 areas of learning. Good communication skills will support a child's self-esteem and help them to feel more comfortable at Pre-School, enabling to develop further.

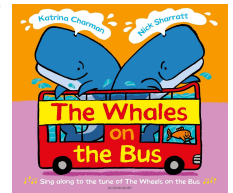
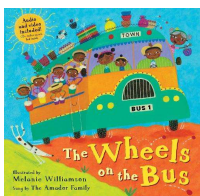
Our topic book is **The Wheels on the Bus**.

We will be learning this rhyme and also exploring different versions such as **The Whales on the Bus**!

We be focusing on different Nursery Rhymes each week and encouraging discussions such as "How did Humpty Dumpty feel when he fell off the wall?" "Who helped him?" This will also support the children's PSED, by naming different emotions and encouraging them to talk about when they may have felt the same way.

In Pre-School we always offer opportunities for children to develop in all 7 areas of learning of the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework (EYFS). See below for examples of activities for this half term.

As well as this, we also go with the children's interests and will therefore offer other activities and resources such as dinosaur set-ups or doll's tea party.



Literacy

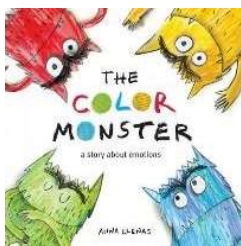
Wheels on the Bus and other rhyme books

Spider mark making with circles & lines

Physical Development

PE: Team Games, Running Games, moving safely.

Build a wall for Humpty Dumpty



EYFS 7 Areas of Learning

PSED

Relationship Building

Exploring Emotions and Feelings

The Colour Monster book

Maths

Number Rhymes

Using shapes to build animal enclosures

Understanding the World

Exploring songs about the weather

Conversations about their ourselves and family members

Expressive Arts & Design

Puppet role-play

Action Songs & Instruments

Exploring different sounds

Important Dates!

Tuesday 1 st September	INSET DAY- Closed
Wednesday 2 nd September	First Day of Term
Friday 9 th October	Mental Health & Wellbeing Wear something yellow
Wednesday 21 st October	Individual School Photos – Time TBC
Thursday 22 nd October	Federation Open Morning 9.30-11.00 Drop In
Monday 26 th October	October Half Term Holiday Week
Tuesday 1 st December	(optional) Welcome Winter Jumper Day - Fundraiser min £1 donation please
Monday 21 st December	Christmas Holiday

5 INSET days – School is CLOSED for staff training on:

~~Tuesday 1st September,~~

Friday 18th June, Monday 21st June, Friday 9th July, Wednesday 21st July

