WALLISDEAN PRESCHOOL

Topic Overview
Autumn 1 2026/2027



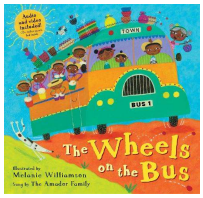
Communication & Language

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 has "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.





EYFS 7 Areas of Learning

Literacy

Wheels on the Bus and other rhyme books

Spider mark making with circles & lines

Maths

Number Rhymes

Using shapes to build animal enclosures

Physical Development

PE: Team Games, Running Games, moving safely.

Build a wall for Humpty Dumpty

Understanding the World

Exploring songs about the weather

Conversations about their ourselves and family members

PSED

Relationship Building

Exploring Emotions and Feelings

The Colour Monster book

Expressive Arts & Design

Puppet role-play

Action Songs & Instruments

Exploring different sounds

