

# Let's Explore!

In **PD**, we will focus on jumping in Gymnastics. In our outside areas, we will create routes for our bikes and trikes and include stops on the way. We will continue to develop our fine motor skills through using pincers to pick up small objects, drawing maps and forming letters in our writing.

In **Maths**, we will understand that 5 can be split into different parts. We will begin to reason that some numbers are 'more than' others. We will introduce 3D shapes.

In **Literacy**, we will read 'The Naughty Bus' and go on an adventure with him to London, in our class gardens, on the Learning Bus and in our classrooms. We will sequence the story and use phonics to write captions to say what the Naughty Bus has been up to! We will write our own Naughty Bus adventures.

In **CL**, we will ask and answer lots of questions about where the Naughty Bus goes, what he sees and what he does. We will take the Naughty Bus on a journey and share with others what we find. We will sing action songs and rhymes, including The Wheels on the Bus.

In **UW**, we will take the Naughty Bus outside into the garden and explore the plants and minibeasts that live there. Excitingly, we will climb on board the Learning Bus and use Augmented Reality to watch minibeasts move close up! We will use aqua scopes to discover what we might find in a pond. We will learn about arrows and direction and programme Beebots to reach a destination. We will learn about the Creation in our RE lessons.



**bus stop**

In **EAD**, we will consider the 'beat' as we sing and perform action songs. We will draw and paint what we observe in the garden and even make clay fish! We will use our imagination in our role-play as we become bus drivers and passengers and go on our own adventures!

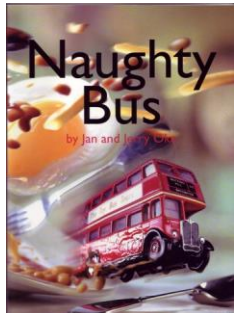
In **PSED**, we will consider why it is important to follow rules. We will discuss why The Naughty Bus is naughty. We will focus on saying 'sorry' and forgiveness after an apology.

**Spring 1 2024**



# Topic Tasters

## Listen to the story of Naughty Bus



[https://www.google.com/search?q=naughty+bus&source=lmns&tbm=vid&bih=679&biw=1440&rlz=1C5CHFA\\_enGB974GB979&hl=en&sa=X&ved=2ahUKewj4mJCC\\_r6CAxU4f6QEHR5oAZEQ0pQJKAJ6BAgBEAY#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:c6c2ebfe,vid:xPYyeDZaes4,st:0](https://www.google.com/search?q=naughty+bus&source=lmns&tbm=vid&bih=679&biw=1440&rlz=1C5CHFA_enGB974GB979&hl=en&sa=X&ved=2ahUKewj4mJCC_r6CAxU4f6QEHR5oAZEQ0pQJKAJ6BAgBEAY#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:c6c2ebfe,vid:xPYyeDZaes4,st:0)

## Words that we will use



## Outside ideas to explore and enjoy during Winter

### Winter Hunt Checklist

	frozen cobweb		ice
	catkins		footprints
	holly		icicle
	squirrel		robin
	red berries		
	frost		

Can you draw some of the other winter items you see on your walk?

### Build a Homemade Bird Bath

A bird bath is a place where birds can go to get safe water to drink or to have a wash. Washing helps birds keep their feathers healthy. It's also really important for birds to have access to water when the weather is very hot or very cold. You can build a bird bath in your own garden, using only a few materials. It can be great fun to watch the birds visit!

**You will need:**

- shallow, watertight, dish-shaped item (for example, a dustbin lid, a round serving tray or a large circular plant tray)
- some stones or gravel
- 4 bricks
- rainwater or tap water (plant tray)
- watering can or jug

**Instructions:**

- In your garden, arrange four bricks to make a square shape on the floor in an open space. Ideally, it needs to be close to bushes if they feel vulnerable. An open area is good for a bird bath because the birds will have a good view of their surroundings.
- Place your dish-shaped item on top of the bricks.
- Put some stones or gravel into the dish to keep it steady and make sure it's not too slippery for the birds. You might need one slightly heavier stone to weigh it down - you can test out how steady it is and add extra weight if needed.

### Build a Miniature Pond in a Bucket

A bucket pond is a brilliant way of having aquatic plants in your outdoor space, however big or small. These plants will also attract different kinds of wildlife. Follow the instructions below to create your own miniature pond and watch as the plants change and grow.

**You will need:**

- large plastic bucket
- small plant pots or plastic pots for each aquatic plant (they'll need to fit into the bucket)
- aquatic compost
- spoon or garden trowel
- gravel (pieces approximately 2-3mm in size)
- aquatic plants
- tweezers
- jug or watering can
- tap water
- floating plants

### Kitchen Roll Bird Feeder

Turn leftover kitchen roll tubes into simple bird feeders to hang in your garden. A great activity that even the youngest child can join in with.

**You will need:**

- Cardboard tubes
- Peanut butter (see below for alternatives)
- Blunt knife or lolly stick
- Bird seed
- Garden string

- Use a blunt knife or lolly stick to spread peanut butter all over the outside of the cardboard tube.
- Spread your birdseed in a thin layer on a plate or baking tray.
- Carefully roll the tube in the seed so that the outside becomes coated in seeds.

## Sing these rhymes together

The Wheels on the Bus  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2\\_IBrORFd0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_IBrORFd0)

London Bridge is Falling Down  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUu0FWlMpgk>