



## Activities at home for Hedgehogs and Lambs

Our topic for the month of November is: Transport and construction

**The areas we will be covering are:**

- Role play - Santa's workshop (from 16<sup>th</sup> Nov) Wrapping presents - talk about the shape and sizes of gifts.
- Looking at different materials for construction and how/what buildings are made of.
- Using a variety of toys/materials for construction to build and balance.
- Role play in the outside construction zone.
- Creating dens and making enclosures in different spaces.
- Exploring the concept of heavy/light; tall/short; up/down; high/low.
- Construction on a large scale using the soft play/large waffles/large blocks.
- Looking at machines that are used to build - diggers, cranes etc..
- Look at pictures of different types of transport.
- Discuss where different transport travels - land, air or sea.
- Talk about how we get to nursery.
- Make a chart to show the colours of our cars.
- Design personalized registration plates.
- Make ramps for different vehicles to travel down.
- Transport and construction pictures.
- Messy play with transport and construction toys/materials.

**Books, rhymes and songs:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transport; Driving my tractor; The Three Little Pigs (story sack)</li><li>• Bob the builder (song and story)</li><li>• The Elves and the Shoemaker (cd story)</li><li>• Fact and fiction based books about different types of transport.</li><li>• Wheels on the bus (song)</li><li>• Wendel's Workshop (story)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• After the Storm (story)</li><li>• Amazing Machines (fact books)</li><li>• Roly, Poly, UP, UP, UP (song)</li><li>• Hansel and Gretel (story)</li><li>• Journey home from Grandpas; Port side pirate; Up, up, up; Magic train ride; We all go travelling by; Dump truck disco (story cd books).</li></ul> |
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**Ideas how to explore this topic at home or when you are out and about:**

- Building at home with different materials. Email photos to show.
- Looking at the shapes of different buildings when out and about.
- Den building in different spaces.
- Using objects to represent something else ie a box for a castle.
- Use items from the outdoor environment to construct.
- Use various toys and building tools for small world construction play.
- Wrapping presents - talk about the shape and sizes of gifts.
- Point out different types of transport in the local environment.
- Look out for road signs, noticing shapes and numerals.
- Make a hot air balloon out of a balloon and paper mache.
- Count how many red cars/trucks/buses on a journey or out of the window - keep a tally.
- Find out the history of transport on the internet - First cars, aeroplanes, ships. (Lambs)