Ark Class EYFS Long Term Plan & Skills Progression 2023-2024

	Autumn 1 (7 wks)	Autumn 2 (7.5 wks)	Spring 1 (7 wks)	Spring 2 (5 wks)	Summer 1 (6 wks)	Summer 2 (7 wks)
Possible theme These may be adapted at various points to allow for children's interests to flow through the provision	All About Me & People Who Help Us (What is special about me? Friendships, transition, people who help us, family and local community)	Celebrations	(dinosaurs, space, under li	ney in Time the sea/pirates, transport [YI ink])	How do we grow? (Crowth and Change)	Traditional Tales
Focus Text(s)	The Colour Monster Goes to School (3 wks) You Choose (2 wks) Rosie's Walk (2 wks)	Rama & Sita (Diwali) (2 wks) The Gruffalo (CLPE) (2 wks) The Gruffalo's Child (1 wk) The Nativity (2.5 wks)	Owl Babies (2 wks) Mrs Armitage on Wheels (bring your wheels to school day/week?) (2 wks) Hooray for Fish (CLPE) (2 wks) The Darkest Dark (1 wk)	Ten Little Pirates (I wk) Stomp Dinosaurs Stomp (I wk) The Train Ride (CLPE) (I wk) We're Going on a Bear Hunt (2 wks)	Errol's Carden (CLPE) (2 wks) The Runaway Pea (2 wks) Oliver's Fruit Salad (2 wks)	Come On Daisy (2 wks) Little Red Riding Hood (1 wk) Jack and the Beanstalk (2 wks) Goldilocks and the Three Bears (2 wks)
Satellite Text(s)	The Colour Monster Ruby's Worry Super Duper You The Kissing Hand A Little Bit Brave The Day the Crayons Quit Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? Each Peach Pear Plum Mr Gumpy's Outing	Pumpkin Soup Egg to Penguin Stick Man The Jolly Postman Paddington's Christmas Post Ten Little Penguins	One Snowy Night Aliens Love Underpants You Can't take an Elephant on the Bus You Can't Let an Elephant Drive a Digger Rainbow Fish Commotion in the Ocean	Dinosaurs Love Underpants Mr Wolf's Pancakes Dinosurs My Big Book of Transport Dig Dig Digging Pirate's Love Underpants We're Going on a Lion Hunt We're Going on an Egg Hunt The Easter Story	Jasper's Beanstalk A Seed in Need The Tiny Seed Errol's Garden Seed to Sunflower Tadpole's Promise Tadpole to Frog Tad Oliver's Vegetables Handa's Surprise The Very Hungry Caterpillar Growing and Changing	Bug Hotel The Book Time Book of Fantastic First Poems Somebody Crunched Colin Beetle in the Bath Billy's Beetle Incy Wincy Spider What the Ladybird Heard Spinderella The Three Little Pigs The Gingerbread Man The Three Billy Goats Gruff Children's First Cookbook Twisted Fairy Tales Traditional Tale Poetry
'Wow' Moments / opportunities	Birthday, date, weather (take first weather photo) and special events display Measuring height with strings Drawing self-portraits Looking at family photos Favourite songs Feelings display / check in Harvest Time — I st Oct Autumn Trail	Finding Gruffalo footprints and characters in the woods Diwali — 12 th Nov Bonfire Night / Guy Fawkes — 5 th Nov Remembrance Sunday (make a poppy wreath) — 12 th Nov World Science Day — 10 th Nov World Kindness Day — 13 th Nov International Children's Day 20 th Nov Nursery Rhyme Week 13 th — 17 th Nov	New Year Winter Walk RSPB Big Schools Bird Watch — 6 th Jan — 20 th Feb Chinese New Year — 10 th Feb National Storytelling week — 30 th Jan — 7 th Feb Pancake Day / Shrove Tuesday — 13 th Feb Lent — 14 th Feb — 28 th Mar	Spring Walk Tell a Fairy Tale Day World Wildlife Day World Book Day Plant a Flower Day Mother's Day Comic Relief World Recycling Day Oral Health Day World Poetry Day Walk to the park / picnic Planting seeds	National Exercise Day Earth Day Picnic Day Sun Awareness Week Florence Nightingales Birthday Walk to School Week World Bee Day World Turtle Day Grow your own beanstalk! Making our own fruit salad Map work — finding treasure Start of Ramadan Eif	30 Days Wild World Ocean Day Healthy Eating Week Father's Day Insect Week World Refugee Day National Smoothie Day World Rainforest Day Giant footprints, letter from the giant Observe beanstalk growth! Following a map into the woods — just like Little Red

		Odd Socks Day — 13 th Nov Anti-Bullying Week — 13 th — 17 th Nov World Diabetes Day — II+ th Nov Children in Need — 17 th Nov Thanksgiving — 23 rd Nov Hanukah — 7 th — 15 th Dec Nativity Black history Month — I st — 3I st Oct World Space Week — I th Oct —	Random Acts of Kindness Week 11+th — 20th Feb Valentine's Day — 11+th Feb Bring your wheels to school week NSPCC Number Day — 2nd Feb Making sea creature fossils	Signs of dinosaur visit in classroom Easter Weather experiments Polytunnel and greenhouse growing Frogspawn / frogs / caterpillars / butterflies	Fossil hunt and creation Real life cycle experiences — chicks / caterpillars / tadpoles	Transitions End of term experience — invite parents in for afternoon tea made by children / family picnic How I've grown production and video Comparing height to strings from beginning of the year
Personal, Social and Emotional Development Managing Self — Self Regulation	development are the important those of others. Children should want and direct attention as r	emotional development (PSED) is cru attachments that shape their social be supported to manage emotions, d necessary. Through adult modelling of with other children, they learn how Remembering and following classroom and school rules / routines Increased independence with putting on clothing / coats Support with buttons / zips — encouragement to try What are you thankful for? Snowflake unique pictures Growing in independence — beginning to reject help	world. Strong, warm and sup evelop a positive sense of self, and guidance, they will learn I to make good friendships, co-c	portive relationships with adults en set themselves simple goals, have c now to look after their bodies, incl	able children to learn how to under onfidence in their own abilities, to p uding healthy eating, and manage	stand their own feelings and versist and wait for what they personal needs independently.
				being healthy and eating a balanced diet	Sun safety, dressing ourselves, doing up zips and buttons. Healthy eating — why is it important? Refer to literacy fruit diary for the class.	class with new adults. Circle time — guess the minibeast. Chn to give each other clues. Parachute games Transitions Looking back at how far we've come

Physical activity is vital in children's all-round development, enabling them to pursue happy, healthy, and active lives. Gross and fine motor experiences develop incrementally throughout early Physical Development childhood, starting with sensory explorations and the development of a child's strength, co-ordination, and positional awareness through tummy time, crawling and play movement with both objects and adults. By creating games and providing opportunities for play both indoors and outdoors, adults can support children to develop their core strength, stability, balance, spatial awareness, co-ordination, and agility. Gross motor skills provide the foundation for developing healthy bodies and social and emotional well-being. Fine motor control and precision helps with hand-eye co-ordination, which is later linked to early literacy. Repeated and varied opportunities to explore and play with small world activities, puzzles, arts and crafts and the practice of using small tools, with feedback and support from adults, allow children to develop proficiency, control, and confidence. Whole class snack / milk / Whole class snack / milk / Real PE Real PE Preparing for Sports Day Gross motor activities lunch times lunch times Moving in different ways Daily fine motor activities -Easel painting area — painting Making minibeasts using clay Managing own personal hygiene Managing own personal hygiene outdoors dough disco, funky finger on a vertical surface What features does your Dough disco, fine motor Funky fingers: Rangoli patterns, Funky finger fine motor Gross motor development mini beast have? How are activities name recognition, threading, activities Developing a comfortable grip activities you going to mould the Funky finger fine motor Threading, cutting, weaving Christmas decorations, shaving Developing a comfortable and food control when holding plasticine with your hands to Collaborating to tidy up and grip and food control pens and pencils activities — daily dough disco make those features? foam patterns moving large items when holding pens and Continue to develop their Daily name writing practise Make a spider's web by Dough disco Moving, jumping, balancing, Clap and stamp to music. Fit pencils movement, balancing, riding Use large-muscle movements to weaving wool on card Cutting carefully. standing on one leg themselves into spaces, like Spin, roll and (scooters, trikes and bikes) and wave flags and streamers, Real PF tunnels, dens and large boxes independently use ropes ball skills. Go up steps and paint and make marks. Start and move around in them. and swings (for example, stairs, or climb up apparatus, taking part in some group Gross motor activities ture swings) En joy starting to kick, throw and using alternate feet. Skip, hop, activities which they make up Writing our name catch balls. Sit on a push-along stand on one leg and hold a for themselves, or in teams. Mark making wheeled toy, use a scooter pose for a game like musical or ride a tricycle. The development of children's spoken language underpins all seven areas of learning and development. Children's back-and-forth interactions from an early age form the foundations for language Communication and Language and cognitive development. A language- rich environment is needed to enhance and encourage the quality conversations children have with adults and peers through the day. By commenting on what children are interested in or doing and echoing back what they say with new vocabulary added, practitioners will build children's language effectively. Reading frequently to children, and engaging them actively in stories, non-fiction, rhymes, and poems, and then providing them with extensive opportunities to use and embed new words in a range of contexts, will give children the opportunity to thrive. Through conversation, storytelling and role play, where children share their ideas with support and modelling from their teacher, and sensitive questioning that invites them to elaborate, children become comfortable using a rich range of vocabulary and language structures. Discussing our Easter breaks — Daily circle time, rules, Singing nursery rhymes Discussions surrounding Discussions surrounding our Once upon a time picture routines, listening games, team Orally retelling stories our Christmas break. New half term holidays. What did refer to Tapestry posts. Class in ference games Role play in role play areas Year — what does this we get up to? mind map. Doctors role play Singing familiar nursery Talk 4 Writing — retelling story What is Shrove Tuesday? mean? Spring listening and looking Nursery rhymes using rhymes — learning new rhymes What would you like to walk - what can you hear? instruments - listening focus with actions, making marks on Taking turns when speaking Model routines throughout the story maps / mountains do this term? and listening. What can you see? Mystery box — story telling day Understand simple instructions Taking turns when Retelling stories Learning spring rhymes with props Settling in activities speaking and listening Observing tadpoles and plants Making talking telephones like 'give to nanny' or 'stop'. Describing flowers - which is

Story retelling with props

Learning new vocabulary

- countries from around

the world

Bring your wheels to

school week - discussions

What has wheels? Walk

around school.

Discussions surrounding

what lives in the ocean,

comparing animals in

your favourite? What colour

is it?

Developing conversation.

Describing our mums for

Mother's Day cards.

What is Comic Relief?

Acting on longer sentences

Understanding a question or

instruction that has two parts

Discussing oral health

Understanding 'why' questions

- describing what we see, using

new vocabulary learnt.

Phonics activities

Listening to and discussing

longer stories as we make our

way through them

Discussions surrounding

growing and exotic fruits

Understand and act on longer

sentences like 'make teddy

jump or 'find your coat'

Understand simple questions

using tubes

Describe me bags — what can

you feel?

Scavenger hunts — pictures

and lists

Use longer sentences of four

to six words. Be able to

express a point of view and to debate when they disagree

with an adult or a friend,

using words as well as

actions. Start a conversation

Recognise and point to objects if

asked about them.

Making friends

Children talking about

experiences that are familiar

to them — looking at Tapestry

and family photos

Colour Monster — feelings,

verbal check in

Role play from own experiences

and stories

Nature walk — what can you

see / hear?

	Begin short whole class sessions. Talk 4 Writing — verbally retelling stories with actions, using vocabulary such as 'Once upon a time', 'unfortunately', 'luckily', 'finally'		cold countries to those in ours. Explore our focus story using ocean small world tray.	Discussions surrounding Easter and the Easter story Singing Easter songs and rhymes	about `who', `what' and `where' (but generally not `why'). Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens.	with an adult or a frien and continue it for man turns. Use talk to organis themselves and their play
Literacy Reading, writing & Phonics	and writing) starts from birth and songs together. Skilled wo	velop a life-long love of reading . Reav . It only develops when adults talk with ord reading, taught later, involves both r ds . Writing involves transcription (sp	th children about the world and the the speedy working out of t	round them and the books (stories the pronunciation of unfamiliar po	and non-fiction) they read with th rinted words (decoding) and the spe	em, and enjoy rhymes, poem e <mark>dy recognition of familiar</mark>
	Reading Enjoys songs and rhymes, tuning in and paying attention. Joins in with songs and rhymes, copying sounds, rhythms, tunes and tempo. Say some of the words in songs and rhymes. Sing songs and say rhymes independently, for example, singing whilst playing. Name recognition	Reading Enjoy sharing books with an adult. Pay attention and respond to the pictures or the words. Have favourite books and seek them out, to share with an adult, with another child, or to look at alone. Name recognition	Reading Repeat words and phrases from familiar stories. Develop play around favourite stories using props. Ask questions about the books. Makes comments and shares their own ideas.	Reading Notice some print, such as the first letter of their name, a bus or door number, or a familiar logo. Begin to understand the five key concepts about print: – print has meaning — the names of the different parts of a book — prints can have different purposes — page sequencing — we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom.	Reading Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can begin to: - spot and suggest rhymes — count or clap syllables in a word — recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother. Begin to engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.	Reading Develop their phonologica awareness, so that they co begin to: - spot and sugge rhymes — count or clap syllables in a word — recognise words with the same initial sound, such o money and mother. Begin engage in extended conversations about storie learning new vocabulary
	Writing En joy drawing freely. Give some meanings to the marks we make. Fine motor practise.	Writing Enjoy drawing freely. Begin to add some marks to their drawings, which they give meaning to. For example, "That says mummy."	Writing Add some marks to their drawings, which they give meaning to. For example, "That says mummy." Make marks on their picture to stand for their name. Handwriting — Develop manipulation and control.	Writing Make marks on their picture to stand for their name. Begin to use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write 'm' for mummy. Handwriting — Explore different materials and tools.	Writing Begin to write some or all of their name. Handwriting — Begin to use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.	Writing Begin to write some letters accurately. Write some or all of their name. Handwriting — Show a preference for a dominan hand.
	Phonics Environmental sounds.	Phonics Instrumental sounds.	Phonics Body percussion. RWI Phonics	Phonics Rhythm and rhyme. Alliteration. RWI Phonics — set I	Phonics Alliteration. Voice sounds. RWI Phonics — set I	Phonics Oral blending and segmenting. RWI Phonics — set I recap and blending

Mathematics Number Measure, shape and Spatial thinking.

Developing a strong grounding in number is essential so that all children develop the necessary building blocks to excel mathematically. Children should be able to count confidently, develop a deep understanding of the numbers to IO, the relationships between them and the patterns within those numbers. By providing frequent and varied opportunities to build and apply this understanding – such as using manipulatives, including small pebbles and tens frames for organising counting – children will develop a secure base of knowledge and vocabulary from which mastery of mathematics is built. In addition, it is important that the curriculum includes rich opportunities for children to develop their spatial reasoning skills across all areas of mathematics including shape, space and measures. It is important that children develop positive attitudes and interests in mathematics, look for patterns and relationships, spot connections, 'have a go', talk to adults and peers about what they notice and not be afraid to make mistakes.

2-year olds	2-year olds	2-year olds	2-year olds	2-year olds	2-year olds
Finger rhymes	Number recognition up to 3	Pattern	Subitising to 3	2 and 3 D shapes	Position
Numbers I-3	Recite to at least 5	Counting	Counting to 5	Composition	Routes/locations
Comparing amounts	Spatial awareness, building,	Matching	Matching	Comparing with measures	Sequencing
Matching numbers I-3	puzzles	Problem solving up to 5	Finger counting to 5	Comparing quantities	Problem solving up to
Finger counting to 5	Selecting shapes appropriately	Comparing quantities	Symbols and marks	Symbols and marks	Comparing quantities
Spatial awareness, building	Finger rhymes	Finger rhymes	Comparing with measures	Finger rhymes	Pattern
puzzles	Counting in sequence	2 and 3D shapes	Problem solving up to 5	Counting beyond 5	Counting
Comparing quantities	Counting in everyday contexts	Composition			Comparing with measu
ounting in everyday contexts	2 and 3D shapes	Position	3 and 4-year-olds	3 and 4-year-olds	Finger counting
lumber recognition up to 3	Composition	Pattern	Subitising	Shape	
Recite to at least 5	Finger counting to 5		Counting	Comparing measures	3 and 4-year-olds
patial awareness, building,	Comparing with measures	3 and 4-year-olds	Ordering	Composition	Counting
puzzles		Pattern	Sorting and matching	Solve problems up to 5 and	Position
'	3 and 4-year-olds	Counting	Finger numbers to 5	beyond	Routes/locations
3 and 4-year-olds	Counting	Ordering	Symbols and marks	Symbols and marks	Sequencing
Consolidate I-3	Ordering	Finger numbers to 5	Counting	Comparing quantities	Solving problems beyon
Ordering	Comparing with measures	Symbols and marks	Ordering	Counting	Pattern
Counting	Finger counting to 5	Comparing quantities	Matching	Sequencing	Counting
Finger counting to 5	Symbols and marks	2 and 3D shape	Comparing quantities		Comparing measure
Comparing quantities	Problem solving up to 5	Composition	2 and 3 D shape		
Symbols and marks	2 and 3D shapes	Pattern	·		
Problem solving up to 5	Position	Sequencing			
2 and 3D shapes	Location/routes	, ,			
Composition	Comparing with measures				
Position					
Location / routes					
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Understanding the World

Religious Education / Festivals

Understanding the world involves guiding children to **make sense of their physical world and their community**. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around them — from visiting parks, libraries and museums to meeting important members of society such as police officers, nurses and firefighters. In addition, listening to a broad selection of stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems will foster their understanding of our culturally, socially, technologically and ecologically diverse world. As well as building important knowledge, this extends their familiarity with words that support understanding across domains. Enriching and widening children's vocabulary will support later reading comprehension.

Introduction the Interactive	Notice differences between	Begin to make sense of	Planting and growing in the	Noticing seasonal changes	Child-led focuses
Whiteboard	people.	their own life-story and	classroom	Planting and observing our	Mini beasts — similarities and
Heads, Shoulders, Knees and		family history.	Countries around the world	plant growth	differences — magnifying
Toes (learning body parts)			and their differences	RE sessions	glasses and use of adjectives

	Making connections between the features of their family and other families. Repeat actions that have an	properties. Explore natural materials, indoors and outside. Diwali.	non-fiction books. Exploring ice, observing changes that occur	Photos of holidays / families around the world — discussions	sunflowers, frogs, butterflies. Looking after our plants.	Hospital' videos — link to ro
	other families. Repeat actions that have an	Diwali.		around the world — discussions	Looking after our plants	1
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E	- "C"C" -+	The Nativity.	during melting and	equipment, BeeBots	tadpoles — look back at photos	Discuss where mini beasts l
E	effect.	Noticing seasonal changes —	freezing. What does salt	Maps — bear hunt around the	and compare.	to live — compare
E	Harvest / Creation.	October, November, December	do to ice?	field, making our own maps	Comparisons — baby to adult.	How have we grown? Physi
	Explore roles of people who help	photo for weather display. What	ldentifying cold countries	Shrove Tuesday / Ash	Learning about different	and mental changes.
	us	has changed?	in the world, finding	Wednesday.	fruits and vegetables -	Begin to understand the n
	Show interest in different	Introduction to chrome books	them on a map and globe.		similarities and differences.	to respect and care for th
	occupations	Exploring animals from cold	Compare to our country.	RE – Let's celebrate - Easter	How have we grown up?	natural environment and
	Notice differences between	countries	What animals live in			living things. Explore and t
	people		different countries?		RE – Let's celebrate – Eid al	about different forces th
		RE – Christmas	What lives in the ocean?		Fitr, Purim, Vaisakhi	can feel. Talk about th
	RE – Many people call		Where is our country on			differences between
	themselves a Christian,		the globe? What is above			materials and changes th
	Christian's believe in God,		us? What is space? What			notice.
	Christian's worship in a		do astronauts do? Discuss			Our school values.
	church, Christian's believe		visuals of space. Explore			
	Jesus was God's son		day and night, light and			
			dark.			
			Explore natural materials,			
			indoors and outside.			
			RE — Christianity:			
			Bishop's Mitre, Judaism:			
			Kippah, Islam: Hijab,			
			Sikhism: Turban			
Expressive Arts and Design	The development of children's ar	tistic and cultural awareness support	l ts their imagination and crea	<u> </u>	have regular opportunities to enga	Lewith the arts, enabling th
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		inicate through the arts . The freque				
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Give children an insight into new musical worlds. Invite musicians in to play music to children and talk about it. Encourage children to listen attentively to music. Discuss changes and patterns as a piece of music develops.

Songs and rhymes
Imaginative role play
Colour exploration
Self-portraits
Acting out and joining in with
story books and rhymes
Play instruments
Build using construction
Making superhero masks /
people who help us hats
Show attention to sounds and
music. Respond emotionally and
physically to music when it
changes.

Explore paint, using fingers and other parts of their bodies as well as brushes and other tools.

Express ideas and feelings through making marks, and sometimes give a meaning to the marks they make.

Move and dance to music.

Anticipate phrases and actions in rhymes and songs, like 'Peepo'.

Poppy craft for Remembrance

Day

Rocket and firework pictures.

Rangoli rice patterns

Explore different materials, using all their senses to investigate them. Manipulate and play with different materials.
Explore their voices and enjoy making sounds. Join in with songs and rhymes, making some sounds. Make rhythmical and repetitive sounds. Making lanterns, puppet making (shadows).

Making snow

Yayoi Kusama — dinosaur egg sculptures, dinosaur headbands.

Making / tasting pancakes.

Making train role play
Use their imagination as they consider what they can do with different materials.

Make simple models which express their ideas.

Explore a range of soundmakers and instruments and play them in different ways.

Enjoy and take part in action

Garden centre role play
Piet Mondrian — exploring his
artwork, making our own.
Observational drawings —
plants, fruit, tadpoles
Rolling pea pictures
Make imaginative and complex
'small worlds' with blocks and
construction kits, such as a
city with different buildings
and a park. Explore different
materials freely, in order to
develop their ideas about how
to use them and what to make.

Norfolk Music Hub sessions
Drawing to music, showing
emotion
Doctors role play area —
building the role play week by
week
Printing mini beasts
Observational drawings
Printing fruit and vegetables
Salt dough mini beasts
Fingerprint minibeasts
Exploring colour — A colour
of his own — Leo Lionni

Exploring 3D shapes

	Autumn collages, leaf hedgehogs, leaf rubbings.	Making Christmas bakes, decorations. Diva lamps. The Nativity. Norfolk Music Hub sessions	2024 calendars Owl craft / painting Percussion instruments, body percussion Arctic animal crafts, white paints with fork for fur Pressing ocean animals into playdough — what do you notice? Ocean watercolour paintings Norfolk Music Hub sessions	songs, such as 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'. Easter crafts, Mother's Day crafts. Norfolk Music Hub sessions	Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. Listen with increased attention to sounds. Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings. Remember and sing an entire song. Junk modelling, houses, bridges, boats and transport. Norfolk Music Hub sessions	Shape and form Create closed shapes with continuous lines and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a circle and including details. Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. Father's Day crafts.
Outdoor Learning Weekly focus session.	How to be safe outdoors Exploring our different outdoor areas around school Rules and Routines 3-2-I listening and recall games Harvest Listening walk Explore different types of weather — log on our weather display, with photos	Natural shapes in the environment, leaf confetti — shape cutters Leaf investigation. Natural Christmas decorations.	Exploring signs of winter — update our weather display. The 'Big Schools' bird watch RSPB. Scavenger hunt in outdoor areas — find squares and rectangles. Tree observation. Den building [spaceships].	Crafty Easter eggs with clay. Preparing the flowerbed. How do things grow? Planting seeds. Decorate plant pot for Mother's Day	Preparing and maintaining the flower bed/ poly tunnel. How do things grow? Tree observation. Bee keeper visit? Importance of bees — germination of plants — how bees pollinate flowers, fruit and vegetables that provide food for people and animals.	Plant diary. Minibeasts. Life cycle of a ladybird/ butterfly / bee. Shape in the outdoor environment — drawing shapes on the playground with chalk.
Assessment Opportunities	In house nursery baseline Tapestry set up	Ongoing assessments Baseline analysis Pupil Progress Meetings Parents evening		Pupil Progress Meetings Tapestry Data analysis Ongoing assessments	Trust moderation Report writing	Pupil progress meetings EOY Data EOY assessments

Development Matters 2021 Curriculum Links:

	Birth to Three	3 & 4Year olds
Communications&Language:	Turn towards familiar sounds. They are also startled by loud noises and accurately locate the source of a familiar person's voice, such as their key person or a parent. Gaze at faces, copying facial expressions and movements like sticking out their tongue. Make eye contact for longer persols. Watch someone's face as they talk. Copy what adults do, taking 'turns' in conversations (through babbling) and activities. Try to copy adult speech and lip movements. En joy singing, music and toys that make sounds. Recognise and are calmed by a familiar and friendly voice. Listen and respond to a simple instruction. Make sounds to get attention in different ways (for example, crying when hungry or unhappy, making gurgling sounds, laughing, cooing or babbling). Babble, using sounds like 'baba', 'mamama'. Use gestures like waving and pointing to communicate. Reach or point to something they want while making sounds. Copy your gestures and words. Constantly babble and use single words during play. Use intonation, pitch and changing volume when 'talking'. Reach or point to something they want while making sounds. Copy your gestures and words. Constantly babble and use single words during play. Use intonation, pitch and changing volume when 'talking'. Understand single words in context — 'cup', 'milk', 'daddy'. Understand frequently used words such as 'all gone', 'no' and 'bye-bye'. Understand single words in context — 'cup', 'milk', 'daddy'. Understand frequently used words such as 'all gone', 'no' and 'bye-bye'. Understand simple instructions like "give to nanny" or "stop". Recognise and point to objects if asked about them. Conerally focus on an activity of their own choice and find it difficult to be directed by an adult. Listen to other people's talk with interest, but can easily be distracted by other things. Make themselves understood, and can become frustrated when they cannot. Start to say how they are 'feeling, using words as well as actions. Start to develop conversation, often jumping fr	 En joy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens. Pay attention to more than one thing at a time, which can be difficult. Use a wider range of vocabulary. Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as "Get your coat and wait at the door". • Understand why questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fait?" • Sing a large repertoire of songs. Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story. Develop their communication, but may continue to have problems with irregular tenses and plurals, such as "runned" for "ran", "swimmed" for "sovan". Develop their pronunciation but may have problems saying: - some sounds: r, j, th, ch, and sh - multisyllabic words such as "perodactyl," planetarium" or hippopotamus. Use longer sentences of four to six words. Be able to express a point of view and to debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions. Start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns. Use talk to organise themselves and their play: "Let's go on a bus you sit there I'll be the driver."

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h Push	their chest up with straight arms.	 Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and ball skills. Go up steps and stairs, or climb up apparatus, using alternate feet.
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L	moving when outdoors and inside.	 Skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues.
	thout support. to crawl in different ways and directions.	 Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks.
	hemselves upright and bouncing in preparation for walking.	Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams.
 Reach 	out for objects as co-ordination develops. things from one hand to the other. Let go of things and hands them to another person, or drops them.	 Increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm.
	ually gain control of their whole body through continual practice of large movements, such as waving, kicking, g, crawling and walking.	 Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting. For example, they decide whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank, depending on its length and width.
• Fit th	and stamp to music. emselves into spaces, like tunnels, dens and large boxes, and move around in them.	Choose the right resources to carry out their own plan. For example, choosing a spade to enlarge a small hole they dug with a trowel.
• Build	starting to kick, throw and catch balls. independently with a range of appropriate resources.	 Collaborate with others to manage large items, such as moving a long plank safely, carrying large hollow blocks.
	to walk independently — choosing appropriate props to support at first. , run, jump and climb — and start to use the stairs independently.	Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors.
	roll and independently use ropes and swings (for example, tyre swings).	Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.
	a push-along wheeled toy, use a scooter or ride a tricycle.	
• Use la	arge and small motor skills to do things independently, for example manage buttons and zips, and pour drinks.	Show a preference for a dominant hand.
Show	an increasing desire to be independent, such as wanting to feed themselves and dress or undress.	Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example, putting coats on and doing
	eating independently and learning how to use a knife and fork.	up zips.
	op manipulation and control.	
Explor	e different materials and tools.	

Enjoy songs and rhymes, tuning in and paying attention. Join in with songs and rhymes, copying sounds, rhythms, tunes and tempo. Say some of the words in songs and rhymes. Copy finger movements and other gestures. Sing songs and say rhymes independently, for example, singing whilst playing. Enjoy sharing books with an adult. Pay attention and respond to the pictures or the words. Have favourite books and seek them out, to share with an adult, with another child, or to look at alone. Repeat words and phrases from familiar stories. Ask questions about the book. Makes comments and shares their own ideas. Develop play around favourite stories using props. Notice some print, such as the first letter of their name, a bus or door number, or a familiar logo. Enjoy drawing freely. Add some marks to their drawings, which they give meaning to. For example: "That says mummy."	 Understand the five key concepts about print: – print has meaning – the names of the different parts of a book – print can have different purposes – page sequencing – we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: – spot and suggest rhymes – count or clap syllables in a word – recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; writing 'm' for mummy. Write some or all of their name. Write some letters accurately
Combine objects like stacking blocks and cups. Put objects inside others and take them out again. Take part in finger rhymes with numbers. React to changes of amount in a group of up to three items. Compare amounts, saying 'lots', 'more' or 'same'. Develop counting-like behaviour, such as making sounds, pointing or saying some numbers in sequence. Count in everyday contexts, sometimes skipping numbers - '1-2-3-5.' Climb and squeeze themselves into different types of spaces. Build with a range of resources. Complete inset puzzles. Compare sizes, weights etc. using gesture and language - 'bigger/little/smaller', 'high/low', 'tall', 'heavy'. Notice patterns and arrange things in patterns.	 Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising'). Recite numbers past 5. Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5. Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle'). Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5. Experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals. Solve real world mathematical problems with numbers up to 5. Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'. Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'. Understand position through words alone — for example, "The bag is under the table," — with no pointing. Describe a familiar route. Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'. Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity. • Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prism for a roof, etc. Combine shapes to make new ones — an arch, a bigger triangle, etc. Talk about and identifies the patterns around them. For example: stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. Use informal language like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs', etc. Extend and create ABAB patterns — stick, leaf, stick, leaf. Notice and correct an error in a repeating pattern. Begin to describe a sequence of events, real or fictional, using words such as 'first', 'then'

U t W Repeat actions that have an effect. Explore materials with different properties. Explore natural materials, indoors and outside. Explore and respond to different natural phenomena in their setting and on trips. Make connections between the features of their family and other families. Notice differences between people.	 Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials. Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties. Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary. Begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history. Show interest in different occupations. • Explore how things work. Plant seeds and care for growing plants. Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal. Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Explore and talk about different forces they can feel. Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice. Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people. Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos.
Show attention to sounds and music. Respond emotionally and physically to music when it changes. Move and dance to music. Anticipate phrases and actions in rhymes and songs, like 'Peepo'. Explore their voices and enjoy making sounds. Join in with songs and rhymes, making some sounds. Make rhythmical and repetitive sounds. Explore a range of soundmakers and instruments and play them in different ways. Notice patterns with strong contrasts and be attracted by patterns resembling the human face. Start to make marks intentionally. Explore paint, using fingers and other parts of their bodies as well as brushes and other tools. Express ideas and feelings through making marks, and sometimes give a meaning to the marks they make. Enjoy and take part in action songs, such as 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'. Start to develop pretend play, pretending that one object represents another. For example, a child holds a wooden block to her ear and pretends it's a phone. Explore different materials, using all their senses to investigate them. Manipulate and play with different materials. Use their imagination as they consider what they can do with different materials. Nake simple models which express their ideas.	 Take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar. Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses, etc. Make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park. Explore different materials freely, to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make. Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. Join different materials and explore different textures. Greate closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a circle and including details. Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. Show different emotions in their drawings and paintings, like happiness, sadness, fear, etc. Explore colour and colour-mixing. Listen with increased attention to sounds. Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings. Remember and sing entire songs. Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match'). Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs. Create their own songs or improvise a song around one they know. Play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas.