



		Throughout the Year	Early Learning Goal
Communication and Language		Listens to familiar stories with increasing attention and recall. Listens to others in one-to-one or small groups, when conversation interests them. Can start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns. Can retell a simple past event in correct order (e.g. went down slide, hurt finger). Uses talk to organise themselves and their play: "Let's go on a bus you sit there I'll be the driver". 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. Is able to follow directions and builds up to responding to instructions with more elements. Understands who, what, where in simple questions (e.g. Who's that? Who can? What's that? Where is?), building up to understanding, why, how and when questions. Questions why things happen and gives explanations. Asks e.g. who, what, when, how. Uses intonation, rhythm and phrasing to make the meaning clear to others. Engages with different types of books by listening to and talking about them to build familiarity and understanding. Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction books to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Learn and use new vocabulary throughout the day. Listen to and learn rhymes, songs and poems, developing an awareness of rhythm and rhyme. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed, and increasingly complex sentences. Understands a range of complex sentence structures including negatives, plurals and tense markers. Children will develop their attention from single channelled, to focusing attention, to two channelled attention. Listens and responds to ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion. Extends vocabulary, especially by grouping and naming, exploring the meaning and sounds of new words. Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations and begins to introduce a storyline or narrative into their play.	ELG – LAU Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers. ELG – S Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.
	• •	Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations and begins to introduce a storyline or narrative into their play. Uses talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events. cabulary: Safe, rules, feelings, emotions, happy, sad, angry, worried, excited, valuable, respectful, resilient, share, take turns, different, similar, resolve, friendship	Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher. , confident, challenge, respect



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Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of their setting. Play with one or more other children, extending and elaborating play ideas. Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are important. Do not always need an adult to remind them of a rule.	Talk about their feelings using words like "happy", "sad", "angry", "tired", "embarrassed" or "worried". See themselves as a valuable individual. Build constructive and respectful relationships. Is proactive in seeking adult support and able to articulate their wants and needs. Shows a greater understanding of managing their own needs.	Expresses their feelings and is being to consider the feelings of others. Has a clear idea about what they want to do in their play and how they want to go about it. Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally.	Think about the perspective of others. Understands their own and other people's feelings, offering empathy and comfort. Shows increasing in impulse control in favourable conditions, e.g. giving up a toy to another who wants it.	Is increasingly socially skilled and will take steps to resolve conflicts with other children by negotiating and finding a compromise; sometimes by themselves, sometimes with support. Shows confidence in speaking to others about their own needs, wants, interests and opinions in familiar group, including being confident to say, "no."	Is more aware of their relationships to particular social groups and sensitive to prejudice and discrimination. Can describe their competencies, what they can do well and are getting better at; describing themselves in positive but realistic terms. Consistently manages their own needs.	ELG – SR Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly. Set and work towards simple goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate. Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in an activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions. ELG – MS Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly. Manage their own basic personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices. ELG – BR Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others. Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers. Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.
	Ongoing Throughou	t the Year					

- Talk about their feelings using words like "happy", "sad", "angry" or "worried".
- Has a clear idea about what they want to do in their play and how they want to go about it.
- Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.
- Shows confidence in speaking to others about their own needs, wants, interests and opinions in familiar group, including being confident to say, "no".

Vocabulary: Safe, rules, feelings, emotions, happy, sad, angry, worried, excited, valuable, respectful, resilient, share, take turns, different, similar, resolve, friendship, confident, challenge, respect



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	Autumn One	Autumn Two	Spring One	Spring Two	Summer One	Summer Two	Early Learning Goal
Physical Development	Be increasingly independent as they	Revise and refine the fundamental	Experiments with different ways of	Progress towards a more fluent style of	Further develop and refine a range of ball	Develop confidence, competence, precision	Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.
•		fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, running, hopping, skipping and climbing. Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group. Shows understanding of how to transport and store equipment safely.	'	more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. Use their core muscle strength to achieve good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. Shows some understanding with good practices with regard to exercise, eating, drinking water, sleeping, hygiene and screen time can contribute to good		' '	dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing. ELG – FMS Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases. Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing. Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient. ELG – GMS Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others. Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing. ELG – FMS
	pivoting from the shoulder and elbow.	Is developing an effective grip with increasing controls when holding pencils,	balance.	physical and mental health. Can name and identify			Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery.
	Beginning to show awareness of how to use tools safely.	pens and other tools. Begin to use left/right-		different parts of the body. Use tools and			
	Is developing scissor grip using one handed loop scissors.	handed scissors.		equipment, with increasing challenge in a variety of contexts.			

Ongoing Throughout the Year

- Develops an effective grip with increasing controls when holding pencils, pens and other tools.
- Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example, putting coats on and doing up zips.
- Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, running, hopping, skipping and climbing.

Vocabulary: rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, running, hopping, skipping, climbing, safely, space, direction, catching, rolling, kicking, balance, obstacles, heights, travelling, equipment, spade, rake, trowel, dig, pull, aim, target, tools, scissors, cut, pencil, hold, move, direction.





	Autumn One	Autumn Two	Spring One	Spring Two	Summer One	Summer Two	Early Learning Goal
Literacy	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	ELG – R
•	Handles books and	Blend sounds to read	Read simple phrases	Begin to read longer	Consolidate reading	Re-read what they have	Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at
	touch screen	short words with	and sentences made	words with two or	longer words with two	written to check that it	least 10 diagraphs.
	technology carefully	known-letter-sound	up of known GPC's and	more diagraphs.	or more diagraphs.	makes sense.	
	and the correct way	correspondences.	common exception				Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge
	up with growing		words.	Begin to read	Consolidate reading	Begin to read some	by sound-blending.
	competence.	Begin to learn some		compound words.	compound words.	words by sight or with	
		diagraph sounds.	Little Wandle			decreasing dependency	Read aloud simple sentences and books that are
	Knows that print		ai ee igh oa, oo oo ar	Little Wandle	Little Wandle	on oral blending	consistent with their phonic knowledge, including
	carries meaning and,	Introduce simple	or,ur ow oi ear, air er	ai ee igh oa, oo oo ar	Longer word and	strategies to increase	some common exception words.
	in English, is read	phrases and sentences	words with double	or,ur ow oi ear, air er	compound words.	fluency.	
	from left to right and	with known GPC's	letters: dd mm tt bb rr	words with double	Root words ending in:		ELG – C
	top to bottom.	taught.	gg pp ff and longer	letters: dd mm tt bb rr	ing, ed/t, -ed/id, est.	Little Wandle	Demonstrate understanding of what has been read
			words.	gg pp ff and longer		Longer vowel sound.	to them by retelling stories and
	Continues to develop	Little Wandle		words.		Phase 4 words with	narratives using their own words and recently
	phonological and	Ff, II, ss, j, v, w, x, y, z,	Common exceptions		Writing	s/z/es at the end.	introduced vocabulary.
	phonemic awareness.	zz, qu, ch, sh, th, ng, nk,	words: was, you, they,	Common exceptions	Consolidate letter	Root words ending in:	
		words with s /s/ added	my, by, all, are, sure,	words: was, you, they,	formation with	ing, ed/t, -ed/id, est.	Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories.
	Begin to orally bend	at the end (hats sits)	pure.	my, by, all, are, sure,	increasing accuracy and	Root words ending in:	
	cvc words.	and words ending s /z/		pure.	independence.	er, est.	ELG – C
		(his) and with s /z/	Continue to share				Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary
	Little Wandle	added at the end	books matched to their	Writing	Write short sentences	Writing	during
	s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g,	(bags).	phonic knowledge.	Continue to write	with words with known	Consolidate letter	discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and
	o, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b,			some letters with	letter-sound	formation with	poems and during role play.
	f, I	Common exception:	Writing	increasing accuracy	correspondences,	increasing accuracy and	
		put, pull, full, as, go no	Continue to write	and independence.	developing an	independence.	ELG – W
	Common exception	to into, she, push, he,	some letters with		awareness capital		Write recognisable letters, most of which are
	words: is, I, the.	and has his her.	increasing accuracy.	Begin to write short	letter and full stops.	Write short sentences	correctly formed.
				sentences with words		with words with known	
	Writing	Begin to share books	Begin to write cvc and	with known letter-	Can orally retell a story	letter-sound	ELG – W
	Use some of their	matched to their phonic	captions containing	sound	using actions and key	correspondences using	Spell words by identifying sounds in them and
	print and letter	knowledge.	diagraphs and	correspondences.	story language and are	a capital letter and full	representing the sound with a letter or letters.
	knowledge in their		trigraphs.		to sequence multiple	stop.	
	early writing. For	Writing		Spell words by	parts of a story.		Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read
	example: writing a	Write some letters	Begin to write longer	identifying the sounds		Can orally retell a story	by others.
	pretend shopping list	accurately.	words with double	and then writing the		using actions and key	
	that starts at the top of	Danis to south asse	consonants.	sound with letter/s.		story language including	
	the page; write "m" for	Begin to write cvc	Can arally ratall a stary	Can orally retell a story		all of the features	
	mummy.	words.	Can orally retell a story			taught across the year.	
	Write some or all of	Continues to orally	using of the actions and key story language,	using actions and key story language, thinking		Children can innovate a	
		retell a story using a	thinking about how	about what a character		story together, and	
	their name.	wider range of actions	characters feel.	did and why.		, • .	
	NA/with a name of		characters feet.	did and why.		using own story map.	
	Write some recognisable letters.	and key story language.					
	recognisable letters.						
	Begin to orally retell a						
	story using some						
	Story using some	I	1	1	1	1	I and the second



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actions and key story			
language.			

Ongoing Throughout the Year

Reading:

- Enjoys an increasing range of print and digital books, both fiction and non-fiction to foster a love of reading.
- Listens to and joins in with stories and poems, when reading one-to-one and in small groups.
- Talks about events and characters in stories and suggests how the story might end.
- Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and stories.
- Is aware of the way stories are structured and can tell their own stories with increasing detail.
- Knows that information can be retrieved from books, computers and mobile digital devices.

Writing

• Enjoys creating texts to communicate meaning for an increasingly wide range of purposes, such as making greetings cards, tickets, lists, invitations and creating their own stories and books with images and sometimes with words, in print and digital formats.

Vocabulary: book, story, pages, turn, word, letter, sound, retell, read, share, listen, write, sentence, grapheme, phoneme, diagraph, trigraph, once upon a time, then, next, after that, finally, so, happily ever after, story map, caption, label, list, sentence, beginning, middle, end.











of two or three			
repeating items, e.g.			
stick, leaf (AB) or stick,			
leaf, stone (ABC).			

Ongoing Throughout the Year

- Singing number songs and rhymes.
- Counting forwards and backwards from 0-10 and beyond.
- Subitising.
- Linking numerals with amounts.
- Ordering numbers to 10 and beyond.
- Counting out objects to 10 and beyond.

Vocabulary: number, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, count, look, compare, shape, pattern, how many, more, less, match, same, different, pair, sort, compare, matching size, matching pattern, matching colour, matching outline, set, odd one out, more, fewer, the same amount, big, small, long, short, thick, thin, taller, shorter, tallest, shortest, full, empty, heavy, light, equal weights, repeating pattern, 123, altogether, combine, compare, count, dice, different, dots, fewer, loose parts, match, more, number, one less, one more, order, same, subitise, less, set, represent, five frame, whole, part.



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Understanding the World	Talk about members of their immediate family. Remembers and talks about significant events in their own experience. Develops digital literacy skills by being able to access, understand and interact with a range of technologies. Talk about and name people who are familiar to them in their community. Shows interest in different occupations and ways of life indoors and outdoors Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.	Knows some of the things that make them unique and can talk about some of the similarities and differences in relation to friends or family. Knows that other children do not always enjoy the same things and is sensitive to this. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. Begin to develop a positive understanding about the differences between people. We can use the internet with adult support to watch videos of celebrations/ traditions via the Swiggle search engine.	Understand that some places are special to members of their communities. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.	Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Talks about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. Draw information from a simple map. Completes a simple program on electronic devices (Bee Bots) We can use the internet with adult support to watch videos of celebrations/tradition s via the Swiggle search engine.	Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. Can create content such as a video recording, stories, and/or draw a picture on screen. Makes observations of animals and plants and explains why some things occur, and talks about changes. Developing an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time.	Shows care and concern for living things and the environment. Begin to understand the effect their behaviour can have on the environment. We can think of ways we can help keep our community clean. We can talk about what we can do at home to recycle. We understand that rubbish, plastic, deforestation and hunting are endangering wildlife. We know and can share some ways that we can help our planet.	ELG – PP Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society. Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. ELG – TNW Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants. ELG – TNW Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. ELG – PCC Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, nonfiction texts and maps. Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.

Ongoing Throughout the Year

- Explore the natural world around them.
- Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.
- Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.

Vocabulary: family, mam, dad, brother, sister, baby, toddler, adult, friends, past, present, outside, see, hear, feel, touch, grow, change, look after, care, seasonal changes, similarities, differences, traditions, local area, UK, city, town, map, world, community, plant flower, vegetable, planet, recycle, rubbish, plastic, endangering, damage.





	Autumn One	Autumn Two	Spring One	Spring Two	Summer One	Summer Two	Early Learning Goal
Expressive Arts and Design	Creating with Materials Continue to use tools for a purpose. Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Begins to create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills. Being Imaginative Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.	Creating with Materials Develops their own ideas through experimentation with diverse materials, e.g. light, projected image, loose parts, watercolours, powder paint, to express and communicate their discoveries and understanding. Explore colour and how colours can be changed. Being Imaginative Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. Begins to build a collection of songs and dances.	Creating with Materials Uses their increasing knowledge and understanding of tools and materials to explore their interests and enquiries and develop their thinking. Creates representations of both imaginary and real-life ideas, events, people and objects. Responds imaginatively to art works and objects, e.g. this music sounds likes dinosaurs, that sculpture is squishy like this [child physically demonstrates], that peg looks like a mouth. Being Imaginative Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses. Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses. Begins to express and communicate working theories, feelings and understandings using a range of art forms, e.g. movement, dance, drama, music and the visual arts.	Creating with Materials Continues to explore colour and how colours can be changed. Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. Continues to create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills. Being Imaginative Introduces a storyline or narrative into their play. Plays cooperatively as part of a group to create, develop and act out an imaginary idea or narrative. Continues to listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses. Continues to watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses. Makes music in a range of ways, e.g. plays with sounds creatively, plays along to the beat of the song they are singing or music they are listening	Creating with Materials Uses their increasing knowledge and understanding of tools and materials to explore their interests and enquiries and develop their thinking. Being Imaginative Develop storylines in their pretend play. Initiates new combinations of movements and gestures in order to express and respond to feelings, ideas and experiences. Chooses particular movements, instruments/ sounds, colours and materials for their own imaginative purposes.	Creating with Materials Can use a combinations of art forms, e.g. moving and singing, making and dramatic play, drawing and talking, constructing and mapping. Being imaginative Can express and communicate working theories, feelings and understandings using a range of art forms, e.g. movement, dance, drama, music and the visual arts.	ELG – CWM Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories. ELG – CWM Share their creations, explaining the process they have used. ELG – BI&E Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music. ELG – BI&E Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher. Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and song.



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Ongoing Throughout the Year

- Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings.
- Return to and build on their previous learning. Refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them.
- Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.

Vocabulary: dance, sing, move, idea, create, pretend, story, build, perform, play, act, portrait, transient, moveable art, charcoal, chalk, pastels, primary colours, secondary colours, mixing, shade, depth, recyclable, pace, beat, art, artist, instrument, play, music