

<u>Nursery and Reception – Key Vocabulary - Progression of Core Knowledge and Skills</u>

The nursery and reception knowledge and skills represented in this document are not exhaustive, but rather identify the <u>core learning</u> taught at Thwaites School to ensure the National Curriculum is covered in a deep and meaningful way, preparing our children for their next step in education by creating knowledgeable, skilful, competent and confident children who have a solid educational foundation to build on in the key stages that follow.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – Self-Regulation	Personal, Social and Emotional Development – Managing Self
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Follow 2 step instructions	Select and choose resources to help them reach a goal
Show focus on a member of staff for a short period of time	Increasingly follow rules
Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Develop appropriate ways of being assertive (Stop, I don't like it.)
View themselves as a valuable individual recognising their strengths	Begin to describe a recognise simple feelings – sad, happy, angry, worried, tired, scared
Begin to moderate their feelings in social situations	Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Tolerate delay and show patience for a short period of time	Express their feelings and develop respect and awareness of the feeling of others
Follow instructions with more than 2 steps	Show growing confidence in trying new activities
Give focused attention to a staff member managing simple distractions	Show resilience when faced with a challenge
	Manage their own needs (washing their hands, dressing, toileting, making good food choices) Explain the reason for rules and actively try to meet them
Nursery Vocabulary	Nursery Vocabulary
instruction, attention	rules, voice, feelings – happy, sad, worried, angry, tired, scared
Reception Vocabulary	Reception Vocabulary
instruction, strengths, qualities, attention, distraction	respect, rules, perseverance, resilience, hygiene, feelings, independent
How it is Covered Nursery	How it is Covered Nursery
Personal, Social and Emotional Development is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term	Personal, Social and Emotional Development is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term
Jigsaw - weekly PSHE sessions	Jigsaw - weekly PSHE sessions
learning about ourselves and their feelings	Dialogic stories
Dialogic stories	Circle time
Circle time	Calm me time
Calm me time - mindfulness	How it is Covered Reception
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Circle time Calm me time – mindfulness	
Personal, Social and Emotional Development – Managing Self –	Personal, Social and Emotional Development – Building
Health and Hygiene	Relationships
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Use the toilet independently	Become more confident with others in social situations
Follow steps and guidance to wash and dry hands	Play with one or more children extending and contributing to the play
Brush their own teeth	Begin to find simple resolutions to problems (take turns being the main character in a role play)
Begin to show and understanding of the need for good hygiene for everyday life	Begin to grasp how someone else might fee
Understand some simple healthy food and drink choices	Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Build constructive and respectful relationships with adults and peers
Recognise the importance of good dental hygiene	Consider the perspectives of other people
Know how to brush their teeth and for how long	Work and play cooperatively
Describe some healthy food and drink choices and in simple terms explain why healthy food choices are good for you	Show growing sensitivity to the needs of others Form positive attachments
Understand the importance of sleep Begin to recognise that there are sensible amounts of 'screen time'	
Know simple road safety – stop, look and listen, crossing points	
Know that regular exercise can help to keep you healthy	
Nursery Vocabulary	Nursery Vocabulary
problems, feelings, confidence	problems, feelings, confidence
Reception Vocabulary	Reception Vocabulary
relationships, problems, cooperative, sensitive	Relationships, problems, cooperative, sensitive
How it is Covered Nursery	How it is Covered Nursery
Jigsaw - weekly PSHE sessions	Personal, Social and Emotional Development is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term
PE lessons	Jigsaw - weekly PSHE sessions
Dialogic stories	celebrating difference and building relationships
Circle time	Dialogic stories
How it is Covered Reception	Circle time
Jigsaw - weekly PSHE sessions	Positive play
PE lessons	Planned opportunities for collaborative learning in Continuous Provision
Dialogic stories	How it is Covered Reception
Circle time	Personal, Social and Emotional Development is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term
Road Safety	Jigsaw - weekly PSHE sessions
Dental Hygiene	celebrating difference and building relationships
	Dialogic stories
	Circle time



	Positive play Planned opportunities for collaborative learning in Continuous Provision
Communication and Language – Listening, Attention and Understanding	Communication and Language — Speaking
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding Begin to listen to longer stories and recall some key events Begin to pay attention to more than one thing at a time Understand clear 2 step instructions Understand and answer 'why' questions Respond appropriately in simple conversation Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding Understand the importance of listening and how to do so carefully Explore new vocabulary and show understanding my using it correctly	Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding Retell familiar Nursery and Number rhymes Speak in longer sentences (4 to 6 words) Start a conversation and take turns speaking and listening Use talk to organise their play Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding Speak in well-formed sentences Ask questions using who, what, where, when, why and how Use taught vocabulary when speaking
Develop social phrases – manners, good morning, how are you? Etc Ask questions to clarify understanding Hold a sustained conversation with peers and adults Nursery Vocabulary rhymes, question, answer, conversation Reception Vocabulary	Use a growing range of conjunctions in speech to connect ideas (because, but, so) Develop use of tenses Describe events with growing detail (may include use sequencing words) Retell familiar stories Use talk to explain their thinking and offer explanations Nursery Vocabulary Retell, rhymes, turn-taking, conversations Reception Vocabulary
question, answer, retell, sentence, vocabulary, conversation	Retell, conjunctions, question, sentence, tense
How it is Covered Nursery Communication and Language is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term Rich language environment Listening and engaging in story time daily Learning Nursery rhymes and Number rhymes Positive play How it is Covered Reception Communication and Language is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term -Rich language environment Listening and engaging in story time and non-fiction texts Answering and asking questions in whole class reading and PSHE Learning rhymes, poems and stories Circle time and PSHE Jigsaw activities Explicit teaching of new vocabulary in whole class reading	How it is Covered Nursery Communication and Language is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term - Rich language environment Listening and engaging in story time daily - Learning Nursery rhymes and Number rhymes - Positive play How it is Covered Reception Communication and Language is interwoven into all elements of the EYFS in each term -Rich language environment -Listening and engaging in story time and non-fiction texts - Answering and asking questions in whole class reading and PSHE - Learning rhymes, poems and stories - Circle time and PSHE Jigsaw activities - Explicit teaching of new vocabulary in whole class reading
Physical Development - Gross Motor Skills	Physical Development - Fine Motor Skills



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Use alternate feet to climb up apparatus or stairs

Change direction on trike

Demonstrate control on a balance bike using alternate feet and be able to change direction

Hold a position (balance) during games such as on one leg

Travel by hopping

Show control over the body to quickly stop and start movements such as walking, crawling and running

Move their body to music and follow instructions to move to the rhythm of the music (gallop, slither etc) Copy the adult

Make a choice about how to move across an object e.g. walk, hop, crawl across a plank or beam

Work with others to move objects safely such as wooden plank

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Become more confident and precise in the following movements and begin to combine them:

Walking – travelling confidently in different directions including backwards

Running – showing an understanding of how to increase speed and slow speed down

Crawling – coordinating 4 limbs simultaneously, able to travel forwards and backwards in straight lines, commando

Jumping - showing control when landing on two feet. Beginning to swing arms to jump further

Skipping – showing coordination to move with increasing speed

Climbing – understand the need to check footing and hand grips.

Show coordination in reaching a goal – traversing along a wall, climbing to the top of a wall

Negotiate space and obstacles safely

Demonstrate good balance

Begin to understand the effects exercise can have on the body

Show good posture when sitting at a table

Throw and catch the same object

Throw balls, beanbags at targets

Roll and pass balls to a partner showing good aim and the ability to stop a ball

Begin to ride a two-wheel bike with stabilisers

Nursery Vocabulary

walk, hop, crawl, travel, stop, start, balance, turn, direction

Reception Vocabulary

Direction, speed, control, space, exercise, health, obstacle, balance, throw, catch, aim, roll, control, coordination

How it is Covered Nursery

Autumn:

Explore moving our bodies in different ways – skipping, crawling hopping, jumping, and landing on two feet Move their body to music, showing control when to stop and start

Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Use one-handed tools such as paintbrushes, pencils and scissors

Make snips in paper using scissors

Snips paper moving scissors forwards

Begins to cut in a line holding the paper with their nondominant hand

Show a preference for a dominant hand

Progress towards holding a pencil with a modified tripod grip to show increasing control

Demonstrate growing independence putting on a coat and shoes, begin to do up zips and poppers

Begin to use a knife and fork

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Show growing competence using a range of tool safely and confidently:

Scissors – moving wrist and hands to cut (not arms) with growing accuracy along curved, straight and zig zag lines

Cutlery – use both knife and fork simultaneously

Paintbrush – make a range of marks – dot, dash, continuous lines, straight and curved marks, show control staying

within lines

Use the tripod grip to hold a pencil for writing

Show increasing accuracy when forming letters

Demonstrate increasing accuracy and care when drawing to create identifiable representations

Nursery Vocabulary

snip, cut, turn, grip, control

Reception Vocabulary

curved, zig-zag, straight, grip, tripod, dash, dot, straight, outline, letters, formation, posture

How it is Covered Nursery

Fine Motor skills are taught consistently throughout the year with opportunities to practise daily in continuous provision through a fine motor station – threading, pincer movements, playdough, peg boards, puzzles

Squiggle While You Wiggle

Dough Disco



Move their body to music and follow instructions to move to the rhythm of the music (gallop, slither etc). Copy the adult

Spring:

Safely move equipment

Stop and start on a tricycle

Explore using a balance bike with alternative feet, steering around a simple route

Gain confidence using alternate feet on a balance bike

Make a choice about how to move across an object e.g. walk, hop, crawl across a plank or beam

Move across obstacles on the Adventure Playground

Summer:

Begin to explore space, recognising the position of their body in relation to others

Compete in simple races – running at speed, following instructions to complete an obstacle course

Begin to roll and stop a ball

How it is Covered Reception

Autumn:

Explore travelling in different directions changing speed and movement to avoid obstacles by crawling, running, walking, skipping, hopping and jumping

Roll and stop balls

Begin to throw and catch the same object (bibs, bean bags, then balls)

Spring:

Demonstrate good balance when travelling under, across and over objects Jump from equipment landing safely on

Combine movements to music

Throw objects at targets with increasing accuracy

Summer:

Develop speed when running

Show control over a ball when using their feet

Pass a ball to a partner

Develop jumping technique to jump further

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Discrete handwriting sessions

Dough Disco

Literacy - Comprehension	Literacy — Word Reading
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Engage in conversations about stories they have listened to – express simple likes and dislikes	Listen carefully and discriminate between sounds
Retrieve answers from a story answering what and who questions	Recognise that print has meaning and that it can be used for different purposes
Learn new vocabulary linked to stories, rhymes, non-fiction and poems	Develop book handling skills - recognising that we read left to right, top to bottom. Turn pages with care and name
Join in with repeated refrains in familiar stories	the different parts of a book – pages, front cover, back cover. Know pages have an order
Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: - spot and suggest rhymes - count or clap syllables in a
Retell key events in familiar stories	word - recognise words with the same initial sound, such as cat and cup
	Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Answer who, what, where, when and why questions about familiar stories



Know the sounds for individual letters
Blend sounds in words to read short words containing taught GPCs
Recognise taught digraphs and trigraphs from Level 3 and read short words containing them
Read common exception words in isolation and when featured in texts
All pupils to know Level 2 tricky words I, the, of, my, no, to Read aloud simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter—sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words
Nursery Vocabulary
sounds, loud, quiet, initial sounds, stretchy sounds, bouncy sounds
Reception Vocabulary
curved, zig-zag, straight, grip, tripod, dash, dot, straight, outline, letters, formation, posture,
How it is Covered Nursery
Daily Twinkl phonics sessions incorporating aspects 1 – 6 of Level 1
Daily reading of class book
How it is Covered Reception
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Daily reading of class book
Practise of common exception words
Autumn:
Level 1 activities – developing listening and attention skills
Focus on sound discrimination Rhymes and stories – discriminate between sounds
Develop book handling skills
Level 1 sounds Rhymes and stories – clap syllables and spot and suggest rhymes
Spring:
Continue with:
Level 1 activities – developing listening and attention skills
Focus on sound discrimination Rhymes and stories – discriminate between sounds
Develop book handling skills
Level 1 sounds Rhymes and stories – clap syllables and spot and suggest rhymes
Summer:
Introduce Level 1 Aspect 7 sounds. Begin to identify initial sounds and develop oral blending skills
Mathematics - Number
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising').
Count accurately beyond 5
Touch-count accurately within 5 Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total



Begin to form recognisable letters

Learn to write their name

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Form lower-case and capital letters correctly

Spell words by identifying the sounds they can hear and then recording the sound with a letter or letters

Write short sentences with words with known GPCs using a capital letter and full stop.

Write short phrases and sentences that can be read by others

Begin to re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.

Represent numbers on fingers up to 5

Links numerals to amounts within 5

Solve real-world problems with numbers to 5

Compare quantities using 'more than', 'less than'

Explore representing numbers through marks as well as numerals

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Count objects, actions and sounds

Subitise to 5 and extend to 10

Link numerals to their cardinal value

Accurately count beyond 10

Compare numbers within 10 using the language of 'more than', 'less than', 'fewer', 'the same as', 'equal to'.

Find one more and one less than a given number within 10

Explore the composition of numbers to 10

Recall number bonds to 5 (including subtractions facts)

Recall most number Bonds to 10

Recall doubles to double 5

Nursery Vocabulary

straight lines, diagonal lines, circles, spirals, clockwise and anti-clockwise movements

Reception Vocabulary

Lower-case, capital letters, formation, finger spaces, full stops, digraphs, trigraphs, sound fingers, letter, word, phrase, sentence, tripod grip

Nursery Vocabulary count, number, num

count, number, numeral, more than, less than, total, altogether

Reception Vocabulary

number, numeral, number sentence, more, less, same, equal, add, plus, total, altogether, take away, subtract,

fewer, double, number bond

How it is Covered Nursery

Mark making activities available daily in Continuous Provision

Squiggle While You Wiggle

Name writing practise

Dough Disco to strengthen fine motor skills

Daily sessions

Autumn:

Focus on movements and gross-motor skills required for writing such as straight lines in different directions

Daily Twinkl phonics sessions incorporating aspects 1 – 6 of Level 1

Spring:

Focus on movements and fine-motor skills required for writing such as straight lines in different directions and

Daily Twinkl phonics sessions incorporating aspects 1 – 6 of Level 1

Summer:

Focus on movements and fine-motor skills required for writing such as straight lines in different directions, clockwise and anti-clockwise motions for curved lines

Daily Twinkl phonics sessions incorporating aspects 1 – 7 of Level 1

How it is Covered Nursery
Autumn:

Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects,

Recognise numbers to 3 in different pictorial representations

Count accurately to 5 and touch count 3 objects accurately including counting out from a larger group, link numerals to amounts to 3

Spring:

Develop fast recognition of up to 5 objects,

Recognise numbers to 5 in different pictorial representations,

Count accurately to 10 and touch count 5 objects accurately including counting out from a larger group, link numerals to amounts to 5

Represent numbers to 5 with fingers

Compare two quantities within 5 recognising which has more and which has less

Summer:

Begin to compare two quantities within 10 recognising which has more and which has less Solve real world problems using numbers to 5

Begin to represent numbers beyond 5 with pictorial representations and fingers

Explore counting backwards from 5 Use key language – total, altogether when combining amounts within 5



How it is Covered Reception

Daily writing as part of Phonics sessions, adult-led writing activities and writing opportunities during Continuous Provision

Continuous Provision and Twinkl activities cover a range of genres - both narrative and non-fiction

Handwriting as part of phonics and discrete sessions

Autumn:

letter formation – focus on lower case Applying GPCs to record words, phrases and simple sentences using Level 2 Twinkl Phonics

Spring:

Letter formation – focus on lower and upper case

Sentence punctuation – capital letters, finger spaces and full stops

Focus on building and recording their own sentences

Consolidate Level 2 Twinkl Phonics and progress to Level 3

Summer:

Letter formation – focus on lower and upper case

Sitting letters on the line

Sentence punctuation – capital letters, finger spaces and full stops

Focus on building and recording their own sentences

Consolidate Level 3 Twinkl Phonics and progress to Level 4

How it is Covered Reception

Autumn:

subitising, ordering numbers to 10, exploring the value of numbers to 10, addition within 10, exploring number bonds to 5, one more, one less, comparing groups

Spring:

subitising, number bonds to 10, addition within 10, more than, fewer than, equal, accurately count beyond 10 forwards and backwards

Summer:

Doubles facts, subtraction within 10,

Mathematics – Numerical Patterns

Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Count accurately beyond 5

Compare quantities using more than and less than

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system;

Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity;

Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally

Mathematics – Shape, Space and Measure

Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Understand key words that can describe their position – prepositions (off, up, down, under, above, besides)

Describe a short, familiar route using positional language

Extend and create ABAB patterns

Use some sequencing language to describe an event 'first, 'next', 'last'

Combine shapes to create new ones – a rectangle and a semicircle to create an arch

Make simple comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity using key language to compare two or three items Recognise and name 2D shapes in different orientations – triangle, circle, square and rectangle. Know how many corners they have

Recognise that 3D shapes are solid

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Select, rotate and manipulate shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning skills recognising how several shapes can be combined

Compose and decompose shapes

Discuss the properties of common 2D shapes – circle, triangle, square, rectangle, pentagon, semi-circle

Recognise and name common 3D shapes and begin to discuss their properties – pyramid, sphere, cube, cuboid, cylinder

Continue, copy and recreate patterns with different rules (ABAB, ABBA, AABB, ABBC)



	Compare length, weight and capacity using ley language. Order 4 or more objects by length, weight or capacity
Nursery Vocabulary	Nursery Vocabulary
more than, less than	off, up, down, under, above, besides, direction, pattern, first, next, last, 2D shapes, circle, triangle, rectangle,
Reception Vocabulary	square, corners, 3D, longest, shortest, heaviest, lightest, empty, full
pattern, even, odd, less, more, same, equal	Reception Vocabulary
	Length, long(er/est), short, weight, heavy, light, capacity, full, empty, half full, nearly empty, nearly full pattern, repeating, 2D, flat, corners, sides, straight, curved, 3D, solid, face, edges, vertices
How it is Covered Nursery	How it is Covered Nursery
Autumn:	Autumn:
Counting accurately within 5	Explore shapes through play and combine shapes to make new shapes
Spring:	Explore length and compare two objects using key language
Counting accurately to 10 Use more and less to compare groups within 5	Spring:
Summer: Explore counting to 10 and beyond Use more and less to compare numbers within 10	2D shapes and their properties. Explore combining shapes to make new shapes and describe Explore repeating patterns
How it is Covered Reception	Summer:
Autumn:	Capacity – empty and full Weight – heaviest and lightest Using prepositional language and describing a familiar
recognise the pattern of the counting system within 10 Begin to compare quantities using greater than, less than,	route
same with groups	How it is Covered Reception
Spring:	Autumn:
Compare quantities using greater than, less than, same and equal to using number balances and addition Recognise	Continue and complete repeating patterns
the pattern of the counting system beyond 10 Summer:	Spring:
Odd and Even numbers Doubles Sharing between two and three equal groups. Recognising groups that are not	Capacity, weight, 2D shapes and their properties,
equa	Summer:
	Doubles facts, subtraction within 10,
Understanding the World – Past and Present	Understanding the World – People, Culture and Communities
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Begin to make sense of their own life-story and family history	Show an interest in different occupations and recognise people who can help them – emergency services etc
Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Continue to develop positive attitudes about the differences between people
Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society	Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about differences they have seen or experienced
Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class	Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling	Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.
onderstand the past an ough settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling	Talk about members of their immediate family and community
	Name and describe people who are familiar to them
	Draw information from a simple map. Use a simple key and add features to a map
	Understand that some places are special to members of the community
	Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways
Nursery Vocabulary	Nursery Vocabulary
family, change, growth, baby, toddler, child, adult	jobs, differences, similarities, countries, world, land, sea

Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.

Explore the natural world around them.



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Reception Vocabulary	Reception Vocabulary
past, present, change, time, timeline	similar, different, country, world, map, religion, belief, community, celebration, family
How it is Covered Nursery	How it is Covered Nursery
Autumn:	Autumn:
All about me – discuss the notion of growing up. Their immediate family and their role in their family	Family celebrations and events celebrated by different groups of people
Spring:	Spring:
What do I know? Family stories. Share past experiences	Explain who helps us in the community including nurses, doctors, the police and fire fighters
Summer:	Summer:
Look how I've grown – explore change over time	Describe beaches they have visited in different countries and explain how they are different from the beaches near
How it is Covered Reception	us
Autumn:	How it is Covered Reception
Explore the terms past and present – War and Remembrance – discuss change over time	Autumn:
Comment on familiar situations in the past, such as Crime and Punishment and Transport compare and contrast	Talk about members of their immediate family and describe them
characters from stories – including figures from the past – such as Walter Tull, Stubby the Dog and Guy Fawkes	Draw information on a simple map of the school/local area and create a simple key
Spring:	Christmas – who celebrates and why
Compare and contrast characters from stories – including figures from the past – such as Samuel Pepys and King	Spring:
Charles II - in whole class reading Summer:	Think about and comment on familiar festivals and special events that they have taken part in , such as Lunar New year and Easter.
Comment on familiar situations in the past using images comparing seaside scenes and toys. Explore a simple timeline from birth to now	Discuss what celebrations they have within their families and the rituals they perform, the clothes they might wear and the traditions that they follow.
	Discuss the different people in their communities and how they help them, thinking about the roles of nurses and firefighters.
	Summer:
	Compare their own lives with the lives of children in other countries, looking at how different types of weather and climate may change the places they visit and the toys that they play with.
	Recreate religious and non-religious stories through small world play.
Understanding the World – The Natural World	Expressive Arts and Design – Creating with Materials
Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Use their senses to practically explore natural materials	Join different materials together using tape and glue, paperclips, fasteners etc.
Explore collections of materials with similar or different properties	Make choices about which materials to use when creating
Talk about changes to materials	Create closed shapes with continuous lines when drawing to represent objects
Plant seeds and take care of plants	Begin to include details on their drawings – e.g. an enclosed circle for a face with an attempt at features
Understand the key features in the life cycle of a plant and an animal Recognise the need to care for the natural	Represent feelings, noises, movements through drawing
world	Explore colour mixing with paint
Explore and talk about different forces	Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding
Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding	Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form

and function

Share their creation and explain the process they have used



Use their senses to describe the natural world around them	Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories
Recognise some environments that are different to the one we live in	Begin to refine techniques to express their ideas and feelings
Understand the effect of the changing seasons on the world around them	Create collaboratively to share ideas and skills
Nursery Vocabulary	Nursery Vocabulary
Senses, material, natural, change, plants, seeds, water, light, life cycle, young, old, push, pull, stretch, melt, heat,	join, combine, materials, shapes, lines, detail, feelings, colour mixing, colour, light, dark
freeze	Reception Vocabulary
Reception Vocabulary	colour, warm, cool, mix, blend, shade, texture, background, outline, retell, characters, story, music, rhythm, lyrics,
Similar, different, country, world, Earth, senses, touch, taste, sight, hearing, smell, nature, habitat, space, planets, sun, stars, seaside, tides, ocean, seas, shadow, light, freeze, melt	dance, movement, beat,
How it is Covered Nursery	How it is Covered Nursery
Autumn:	Construction, fine motor, creative and role play activities are always available in continuous provision to allow pupils
Explore changes in autumn	to explore a range of materials.
Explore what happens on cold winter days – ice, frost	Autumn
Exploring collections of materials	Drawing – Portraits
Spring:	Printing – Poppies
New life in spring – taking care of the world around us	Chalk pastels – Firework art
Create a cress character – explore growing cress seeds to plants	Sculpture – Pumpkin carving
taking care of plants and animals	Spring:
Summer:	Painting – Flowers
Simple animals' life cycles and habitats	Collage – Great fire of London
How it is Covered Reception	Summer:
Autumn nature walk using their senses and creating leaf rubbings	Textiles – Weaving
Which animals would we find in the local woods?	Junk modelling – Vehicles
Explore melting and freezing	How it is Covered Reception
Spring:	Autumn
Spring nature walk – signs of spring – seasonal changes	Drawing – Portraits
Explore stories from around the world and recognise similarities and differences with where we live - Africa –	Printing – Poppies
Kalahari Desert, Kenya South America – Amazon Rainforest, Europe – Scandinavia, Asia – China	Chalk pastels – Firework art
Plant beans and explore how to take care of them to help them to grow as tall as can be	Sculpture – Pumpkin carving
Summer:	Spring:
Summer seaside nature walk – senses.	Painting – Flowers
Discuss summertime and different activities that might happen in the summer	Collage – Great fire of London
Animals' life cycles and habitats	Summer:
Make a boat that floats	Textiles – Sewing Binca
	Junk modelling – Vehicles

Expressive Arts and Design – Being Imaginative and Expressive

Nursery Knowledge, Skills and Understanding



Take part in pretend play imagining objects are other things from their experiences

Begin to make their own small worlds to act out storylines

Listen with increasing attention

Respond to what they hear expressing simple feelings and thoughts

Remember and sing entire songs – such as Nursery rhymes, days of the week songs etc.

Sing to match the pitch and tone of another person

Create their own songs or improvise around a song they know

Play instruments to express their feelings and ideas

Reception Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher

Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs

Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music

Listen attentively to music and move their body to express their response

Express their feelings about dance and performance art

Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody

Develop storylines in play

Compose music and dance both alone and in a group

Nursery Vocabulary

Instrument, music, song, tune, pitch, quick, fast, retell, imagination, story, characters, songs

Reception Vocabulary

retell, characters, story, music, rhythm, lyrics, dance, movement, beat, melody, tempo

How it is Covered Nursery

During Continuous Provision, there is always opportunity to develop storylines through play in role play areas, small world areas and construction both indoors and out

Autumn:

Join in with simple repetitive rhymes and songs

Perform songs and dances in a Christmas performance

Sing to match the pitch and tone of an adult

Spring:

Copy simple rhythmic patterns

Explore the sounds that can be made from percussion instruments

Know how to use instruments safely

Practise playing and stopping following teacher signals

Make simple percussion instruments

Summer:

To begin exploring some musical elements - singing or playing loudly / quietly and quickly / slowly

Explore creating their own songs using musical accompaniments

Move streamers to music

Express simple likes and dislikes about a piece of music and how it makes them feel



How it is Covered Reception

Autumn:

Listen carefully to a variety of rhymes, songs and instrumentals and express their preferences

sing a range of Nursery rhymes accompanied by actions that explore the beat of the music e.g. clapping hands Prepare a Christmas performance for an audience

Spring:

Listen carefully to a variety of rhymes, songs and instrumentals and explain their preferences using simple musical terminology / description words e.g. loud, fast, exciting

Learn to sing a selection of songs and rhymes. Explore the timbres (different sounds) that can be made by classroom percussion instruments

Select an instrument to represent a character or event from a story e.g. claves as horse's hooves

Summer

Move in response to music, create art work, talking about how it makes you feel. Pirates of the Caribbean soundtrack, 'Aquarium' from 'Carnival of the Animals' by Camille Saint-Saens

Use voice, body and classroom percussion instruments to accompany a song or instrumental

Use voice, body and classroom percussion instruments to accompany a song or instrumental playing an active role in deciding the type of sounds needed e.g. choosing a tambourine to represent the rain and shaking it as a long sound