

Curriculum Map Reception - Autumn Term 2025

Communication and Language

Key Learning:

- Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important.
- Learn new vocabulary and use it throughout the day.
- Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them.
- Articulate their ideas and thoughts in wellformed sentences.

Key Vocabulary:

Listen, why, how, what, where

Physical Development

Key Learning:

- Activities to develop fine motor control.
- Getting changed for PE
- Walking using different body parts, levels and speeds.
- Exploring jumping in different ways, distances and levels.
- Explore movements, and shapes in high, low, over and under ways on the apparatus.

Key Vocabulary:

Shapes, high, low, under, over, speed, space, apparatus, defender

PSHE

Key Learning:

- Understanding class expectations.
- Getting to know the classroom environment.
- Understanding how it feels to belong.
- Developing an understanding of what it means to be healthy (including sleep, exercise, hygiene, teeth brushing and keeping ourselves safe).

Key Vocabulary:

Maths

Team, group, help, safe, relationship, family, need, safe, happy, rules, healthy, teeth, dentist

Literacy

In Autumn 1, we will be sharing the following text: Where the Wild Things Are. Further texts will be announced soon.

Key Learning:

- Reading graphemes and blending to read words.
- Writing graphemes and segmenting words to write.
- Retelling stories.
- Writing labels and captions.
- Explaining what has been read.

Key Vocabulary: grapheme, blending, segmenting

At home, you can: read with your child every day. Talk about the story and ask your child to retell the story to you.

Key Learning:

- Sort, match and compare objects.
- Comparing weight, size and capacity.
- Exploring and creating patterns.
- Composition of numbers to 5.
- Comparing shape.

Key Vocabulary: same, different, more, less, fewer

At home, you can: count different objects. Show amounts for numerals 0-5. Spot numerals 0-5 when outside the home.

Expressive Arts and Design

Key Learning:

- Singing songs for celebrations
- Colour mixing
- Exploring mark making
- Observational drawing and painting
- Using playdough
- Exploring collage
- Exploring instrumental sounds

Key Vocabulary: colour, mix, celebration, observation, beat

Understanding the World

Key Learning:

- Celebrations Diwali, Christmas, Hanukkah, Rosh Hashanah
- Trips to Woodlands
- Observing seasonal changes

Key Vocabulary: celebration, Diwali, Christmas, Christian, Hindu, same, different