Reception Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Enquiry questions	Who am I and where do I live?	What changes do the seasons bring and which important people do we remember?	How do my actions affect others?	Who makes the rules and why should we follow them?	Who and what do we share our wonderful world with?	How is my world changing?
Child led learning ideas	Me and my friends Autumn Traditional tales Pets	Arctic Festivals Toys Winter	Pirates People who help us Kings, Queens and castles Chester Zoo	Growing Minibeasts & life cycles Light & dark Transport	Farms Jungle and rainforest Under the sea Space	Superheroes Fairies and elves Dinosaurs Seaside
Other events	Harvest festival Halloween World Space Week World Mental Health Day Moon Festival	Anti-bullying Children in Need Remembrance World Kindness Day Halloween Diwali Bonfire Night Remembrance Day Christmas	Chinese New Year Children's Mental Health Week Stand up to Bullying	St David's Day British Science Week St Patricks Day Earth Day International Dance Day Pancake day Easter St Georges Day	International Astronomy Day VE Day Dinosaur Day World Day for Cultural Diversity	The Queens Platinum Jubilee Sports Day World Music Day Children's Art Week International Day of Friendship Black History- Exploring Africa topic
Pathways	'The Gingerbread Man', by Mara Alperin. Writing outcome: To create their own drawings to represent the story	I am going to eat this ant', by Chris Naylor-Ballesteros Writing outcome: To write a list of foods for a different animal.	The Naughty Bus', by Jan and Jerry Oke. Writing outcome: To write a recount of the adventures of Naughty Bus and where he went.	'The Journey Home', by Emma Levey Writing outcome: To write their own retelling of the story	'Silly Doggy!', by Adam Stower Writing outcome: To orally retell the story. To write a shortened version of the story.	'Supertato', by Sue Hendra Writing outcome: To write a Wanted Poster with character description.

Mastering Number Maths	and orally retell it. Pupils drawings will be labelled with marks appropriate to their development. Identify when a set can be subitised and when counting is needed	Hear and join in with the counting sequence, and connect this to the	Continue to develop their subitising skills for numbers within and beyond 5, and	Understand that two equal groups can be called a 'double' and connect this to	Continue to develop their counting larger sets as well as counting	Begin to generalise about 'one more than' and 'one less than' numbers within
	Subitise different arrangements, both unstructured and structured, including using the Hungarian number frame Make different arrangements of numbers within 5 and talk about what they can see, to develop their conceptual subitising skills Spot smaller numbers 'hiding' inside larger numbers Connect quantities and numbers to	'staircase' pattern of the counting numbers, seeing that each number is made of one more than the previous number Develop counting skills and knowledge, including: that the last number in the count tells us 'how many' (cardinality); to be accurate in counting, each thing must be counted once and once only and in any order; the need for 1:1 correspondence; understanding that anything can be counted, including actions and sounds	increasingly connect quantities to numerals Begin to identify missing parts for numbers within 5 Explore the structure of the numbers 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit' and connect this to finger patterns and the Hungarian number frame Focus on equal and unequal groups when comparing numbers	Finger patterns Sort odd and even numbers according to their 'shape' Continue to develop their understanding of the counting sequence and link cardinality and ordinality through the 'staircase' pattern Order numbers and play track games Join in with verbal counts beyond 20, hearing the repeated pattern within the counting numbers	Explore a range of representations of numbers, including the 10-frame, and see how doubles can be arranged in a 10-frame Compare quantities and numbers, including sets of objects which have different attributes Continue to develop a sense of magnitude, e.g. knowing that 8 is quite a lot more than 2, but 4 is only a little bit more than 2	Continue to identify when sets can be subitised and when counting is necessary Develop conceptual subitising skills including when using a rekenrek Recap previous learning and misconceptions for individual children

	finger patterns and explore different ways of representing numbers on their fingers	Compare sets of objects by matching • begin to develop the language of 'whole' when talking about objects which have parts				
Key texts	Monkey Puzzle The Three Little Pigs Jack and the Beanstalk The Gingerbread Man Goldilocks and the Three Bears The Three Billy Goats Gruff The Enormous Turnip The Gruffalo Brambly Hedge- Autumn Story A Fruit is a Suitcase for Seeds In every house on every street Don't Hog the Hedge	Rama and Sita Christmas Story Anno's Counting Book The Button Box Stickman A Funny Thing Happened on the way to School Tree- Seasons come, seasons go Rainbow Fish Elmer	Burglar Bill The Pirate Cruncher The colour monster Stuck The lion inside Lost and found Orange, Pear, Apple Bear Captain Sparklebeard Dear Zoo Good night Gorilla If I ran the zoo The white giraffe The giraffe that danced	Easter story Jack and the Beanstalk Poppy and the Blooms The day the Crayon's Quit The Koala who could The Queen's hat The book of rules	Handa's Surprise This zoo is not for you All are welcome If all the world were The Ghanaian Goldilocks Little why Hats of faith The little red hen What the ladybird heard Rosie's walk Rumble in the jungle The Lion who wanted Love Ronald the Rhino	I give you the world Shine On the way home Under the same sky When's my birthday The invisible string Incredible you Lost in the clouds Elves and the shoemaker The nicest naughtiest fairy
Experiences	Health Box handwashing Baking	Father Christmas visit Pantomime	Visits/messages from police/firemen/nurs es	Easter bonnet competition Easter crafts	Butterflies/frogspa wn in classrooms Chester Zoo	Water day Graduation
Communication and Language Framework	Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much	Develop their communication but may continue to have	Learn new vocabulary.	Use new vocabulary throughout the day.	Use new vocabulary in different contexts.	Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with

	•			Learn rhymes, poems	relevant questions,
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 fat?" Sing a large repertoire of songs. Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story. Use longer sentences of four to six words.	irregular tenses and plurals, such as 'runned' for 'ran', 'swimmed' for 'swam'. Develop their pronunciation but may have problems saying: some sounds: r, j, th, ch, and sh multi-syllabic words such as 'pterodactyl', 'planetarium' or 'hippopotamus'. 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."	Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Engage in non-fiction books. Engage in storytimes. Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. Describe events in some detail. Develop social phrases.	Learn rhymes, poems and songs. Listen to and talk about selected nonfiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives. Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences.	Learn rnymes, poems and songs. Listen to and talk about selected nonfiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Hold conversation when engaged in	comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. 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, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions,

	Be increasingly independent in meeting their own care needs, e.g., brushing teeth, using the toilet, washing and drying their hands thoroughly.	Talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'. Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing.			cooperatively and take turns with others. Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers. Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.	show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices. Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.
Physical	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. Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make	Skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues. Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams. Increasingly be able to use and remember sequences and patterns of	Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, running, hopping, skipping and climbing. Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor.	Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons. Combine different movements with ease and fluency.	Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. Develop the overall body strength, coordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics,	Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others. Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing. Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and

Literacy	marks. Collaborate with others to manage large items, such as moving a long plank safely, carrying large hollow blocks. Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. Show a preference for a dominant hand. Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example, putting coats on and doing up zips.	movements which are related to music and rhythm. 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. 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. Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors.	Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group. Develop overall body-strength, balance, co-ordination and agility.	Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming. Further develop the skills they need to manage the school day successfully: • lining up and queuing • mealtimes.	Sport and swimming. Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball. Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.	climbing. Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing - using the tripod grip in almost all cases. Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paint brushes and cutlery. Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.
Life dey	Understand the five key concepts about print: print has meaning, print can have different	Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: spot and suggest rhymes,	Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them.	Form lower-case and capital letters correctly.	Read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme.	Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and

purposes, we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom, the names of the different parts of a book, page sequencing. Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. Write some letters accurately.	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.	Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter- sound correspondences. Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them. Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s.	Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known sound-letter correspondences. Begin to read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme. Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.	Re-read these books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment. Write short sentences with words with known sound-letter correspondences using a capital letter and full stop. Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense. Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending. Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.	narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary; - Anticipate - where appropriate - key events in stories. Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play. Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs. Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words. Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter
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Mathematics	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. Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals. Solve real world mathematical problems with	Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle'). Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5. Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'. Talk about and explore 2D and 3D	Subitise. Link the number symbol (numeral) with its cardinal number value. Compare numbers. Explore the composition of numbers to 5. Compare weight and capacity.	Automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0-5 and some to 10. Count beyond 10. Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers. Explore the composition of numbers to 10. Select, rotate and manipulate shapes to develop spatial reasoning skills.	Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number. 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 the composition of numbers to 10 and beyond.	be read by others. Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5. Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts. Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system.
	numbers up to 5. Understand position through words alone – for example, "The bag is under the table," – with no pointing.	shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners'; 'straight',		Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just	Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.	Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be

	'flat', 'round'.	as numbers can.	distributed equally.
Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'.	Describe a familiar route.	Compare length.	
Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity. Count objects, actions and sounds. Talk about and identify 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	Combine shapes to make new ones - an arch, a bigger triangle, etc. Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prism for a roof, etc. Begin to describe a sequence of events, real or fictional, using words such as 'first', 'then' Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers.		
repeating pattern.			

Understanding the	Use all their senses	Talk about what	Talk about members	Name and describe	Talk about the lives	Know some
World	in hands-on	they see, using a	of their immediate	people who are	of the people around	similarities and
	exploration	wide vocabulary.	family and	familiar to them.	them and their roles	differences between
	of natural materials.		community.		in society	things in the past
	Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties. Begin to make sense of their own lifestory and family's history. Plant seeds and care for growing plants. Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice.	Show interest in different occupations. Explore how things work. Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal. Explore and talk about different forces they can feel. 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.	Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. Draw information from a simple map. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. 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.	Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. 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. Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live.	and storytelling. Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps. Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants 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.	and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class. 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. Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on their countries, drawing on their experiences and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on

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				stories, non-fiction
				texts and - when
				appropriate - maps.
				Understand some
				important processes
				and changes in the
				natural world around
				them, including the
				seasons and changing
				states of matter.
				states of matter.

Expressive Arts and	Take part in simple	Begin to develop	Explore, use and	Return to and build	Share their	Safely use and
Design	pretend play, using	complex stories	refine a variety of	on their previous	creations, explaining	explore a variety of
	an object	using small	artistic effects to	learning, refining	the process they	materials, tools and
	to represent	world equipment like	express their ideas	ideas and developing	have used.	techniques,
	something else even	animal sets, dolls and	and feelings.	their ability to		experimenting with
	though they are not	dolls houses, etc.		represent them.	Make use of props	colour, design,
	similar.		Create		and materials when	texture, form and
		Make imaginative	collaboratively,	Listen attentively,	role playing	function.
	Explore different	and complex 'small	sharing ideas,	move to and talk	characters in	
	materials freely, to	worlds' with blocks	resources and skills.	about music,	narratives and	Invent, adapt and
	develop their ideas	and construction		expressing their	stories.	recount narratives
	about how to use	kits, such as a city	Watch and talk	feelings and		and stories with
	them and what	with different	about dance and	responses.	Sing a range of well-	peers and their
	to make.	buildings and a park.	performance art,		known nursery	teacher.
			expressing their	Develop storylines in	rhymes and songs.	
	Join different	Develop their own	feelings and	their pretend play.	,	Perform songs,
	materials and	ideas and then	responses.	Explore and engage		rhymes, poems and
	explore	decide which	,	in music making and		stories with others,
	different textures.	materials to use to	Sing in a group or on	dance, performing		and - when
		express them.	their own.	solo or in groups.		appropriate - try to
	Create closed shapes		increasingly			move in time with
	with continuous lines	Draw with increasing	matching the pitch			music.
	and begin to use	complexity and	and following the			
	these shapes to	detail,	melody.			
	represent objects.	such as representing	,			
		a face with a circle				
	Use drawing to	and including details.				
	represent ideas like					
	movement or loud	Explore colour and				
	noises.	colour mixing. Show				
		different emotions				
	Chanditt 1	in their drawings -				
	Show different	happiness, sadness,				
	emotions in their	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				

drawings and	fear, etc.		
paintings, like	,		
happiness, sadness, fear, etc.	Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up		
Listen with	and down, down and		
increased attention	up) of familiar songs.		
to sounds. Respond	Create their own		
to what they have	songs or improvise a		
heard, expressing	song around one they		
their thoughts and feelings.	know.		
Remember and sing	Play instruments with increasing		
entire songs. Sing	control to express		
the pitch of a tone sung by another person.	their feelings and ideas.		