Grove Road Primary School EYFS Long Term Plan 2025-2026

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| General Themes NB: These themes may be adapted at various points to allow for children's interests to flow through the provision | Starting school My new class New Beginnings My family | Celebrations, both religious and secular Different interpretations of the same event: weddings, birthdays My family and celebrations | Weather & seasons Animals from cold places Under the sea Climates / Hibernation Night and day animals Animal patterns David Attenborough Happy Habitats | Eggs and Life Cycles (Birds) Dinosaurs Reptiles and Crocodile Eggs Mini-beasts and Insects (Butterfly Eggs) Oviparous Animals (What lays eggs?) Dragons and Fantasy Eggs Easter and New Life | Asking for Help / Emotional Literacy (kind hands, kind words) People Who Help Us at School (teachers, caretakers, office staff) Police and Firefighters Doctors, Nurses, Hospitals Dentists, Opticians, Pharmacists Vets and Animal Care Community Helpers: Post, Shopkeepers, Librarians | Around the Town Off on holiday - clothes Where in the world shall we go? How do I get there? Where in the world have you been? Animals from around the world Where do we live in the UK / world? Vehicles past and Present Design your own transport |
| Power of Reading & Sentence Stacking Units | Hello, Friend! by Rebecca Cobb (POR) The Giant Jam Sandwich by John Vernon Lord & Janet Burroway | Happy Birthday Maisy by Lucy Cousins (POR) Chocolate Mug Cake by Michael Rosen (SS) | Blue Penguin by Petr Horáček (POR) Meet The Weather by Caryl Hart (SS) | Errol's Garden by Gillian Hibbs (POR) The Tiny Seed (SS) | The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson (POR) Pigs Might Fly by Jonathan | Splash, Anna Hibiscus! By Atinuke (POR) Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne (SS) |
| Possible Texts | (SS) Five Minutes Peace by Jill Murphy My Mum and Dad Make Me Laugh by Nick Sharratt Hair Love by Matthew Cherry Can I build Another Me? By Shinsuke Yushitak The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas Rainbow Fish by by Marcus Pfister | The Story of Diwali by Katie Daynes Kipper's Birthday by Mick Inkpen Happy Birthday Jamila by Niki Daly The Scarecrows' Wedding by Julia Donaldosn The Crayon's Christmas by Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers Father Christmas Needs a Wee by Nicholas Allan | The Snowflake by Benji Davies Winter Sleep: A Hibernation Story by Alex Morss & Sean Taylor & Cinyee Chiu The Lights that Dance in the Night by Yuval Zommer The Big Freeze by Pippa Curnick Over and Under the Snow by Kate Messner & Christopher Silas Neal The Emperor's Egg by Martin Jenkins & Jane Chapman Robin's Winter Song by Suzanne Barton Immi by Karin Littlewood There's A Bear On My Chair by Ross | ☑ Week 1: The Odd Egg – Emily Gravett ☑ Week 2: Dinosaur Roar – Paul & Henrietta Stickland / Tom and the Dinosaur Egg – Ian Beck ☑ Week 3: The Enormous Egg – Oliver Butterworth (excerpts) / Croc and Bird – Alexis Deacon ☑ Week 4: The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle ☑ Week 5: Chickens Aren't the Only Ones – Ruth Heller ☑ Week 6: Zog and the Flying Doctors – Julia Donaldson (fantasy eggs link) ☑ Week 7: We're Going on an Egg Hunt – Laura Hughes | Emmett and Steve Cox (SS) ② Week 1: Ruby's Worry – Tom Percival ② Week 2: Miss Polly Had a Dolly (song, rhyme focus) ② Week 3: Cops and Robbers – Janet and Allan Ahlberg ② Week 4: Zog and the Flying Doctors – Julia Donaldson ② Week 5: Topsy and Tim Visit the Dentist – Jean & Gareth Adamson ② Week 6: Mog and the V.E.T. – Judith Kerr ② Week 7: The Jolly Postman – Janet and Allan Ahlberg | The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by David Armitage Tiddler by Julia Donaldson The Snail & The Whale by Julia Donaldson The Naughty Bus by Jan & Jerry Oke World Atlases Plus any stories from other cultures and countries |

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| | | | Can We Really Help The Polar Bears? By Katie Daynes | | | | |
| 'Wow' moments / Enrichment Weeks | Harvest Time Birthdays Favourite Songs Talent show Black History Month What do I want to be when I grow up? Video for parents | Guy Fawkes Bonfire Night Christmas Time Nativity Diwali Hannukah Remembrance day | Weather experiments Weather Forecast videos Under the Sea – singing songs and sea shanties | Hatching ducklings Visit to Kew Gardens Planting seeds Easter time Nature Scavenger Hunt Easter Festival Easter Egg Hunt | Storytelling workshop Creating their own tales based on stimulus and acting these out | Post a letter Food tasting – different cultures Map work - Find the Treasure Trip to Hobbledown | |
| Characteristics of Effective Learning | supports their learning Active learning: Children concentra ownership, accept challenges and le | te and keep on trying if they encoun | have a go'. Children who actively parti ter difficulties. They are proud of their nake links between these ideas. They t | own achievements. For children to d | evelop into self-regulating, lifelong lea | arners they are required to take | |
| Overarching Principles of the EYFS | Unique Child: Every child is a unique child, who is constantly learning and who can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured. Positive Relationships: Children learn to be strong and independent through positive relationships. Enabling environments: Children learn and develop well in safe and secure environments with teaching and support from adults, who respond to their individual interests and needs and help them to build their learning over time. Learning and Development: We recognise the importance of learning and development. Children develop and learn at different rates. | | | | | | |
| Grove Road Curriculum Principles | Healthy Body & Mind: This starts in our Early Years Foundation Stage by staff developing positive relationships with parents/ carers and children and exploring children's interests, using these to engage and motivate them. We ensure children feel safe by developing their understanding of routines, expectations and behaviour and teach them how to stay healthy e.g. washing their hands, making healthy lunch choices. We Support the children to recognise their emotions and understand how to deal with them in a suitable manner, building self-confidence to talk about themselves in positive terms and to show sensitivity to other's needs and feelings. Life-Long Skills: Adults support our children to become independent, modelling and supporting the development of important skills like using cutlery, changing clothes and washing hands. Reading is placed at the heart of all topic work with key texts shared regularly to help children explore themes. A love of books is promoted and encouraged. Children have opportunities to share their favourities tories regularly. All staff are committed to developing children's vocabulary and introducing new words at every opportunity. Phonics, maths and writing is regularly and explicitly taught at different times throughout the day and both teacher-led and self-initiated opportunities to challenge thinking, explore ideas and try again are crafted. Global Citizens: Using the children's own experiences as a starting point for learning and then deepening and developing their understanding by providing a range of activities will give children a broad knowledge and understanding of the world around them including people, animals, places, transport, cultures, materials and weather. Staff have the confidence to adapt teaching and learning within a theme to follow the children's interests and the lines of enquiry they create. There are planned opportunities for the children to share what is important to them and supporting them to understand that friends might have different interests. Live O | | | | | | |
| Our School Values | Initiative Independently select resources and equipment from the | ent, and are given access to art mate Resilience Try again even when a task might be tricky | erials at all times so they can independ Empathy We think about how our actions and words affect our friends | Self-confidence We try new things and can say what we are good at | Curiosity We take time to explore the world around us | d unusual ways Creativity it's time to add some personal flair or just be creative with what we have | |

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| | environment to achieve a desired outcome. | | | | | |
| Assessment Opportunities | Analyse Nursery Assessments In-house - Baseline data on entry National Baseline data by end of term Set up Tapestry | On going assessments Pupil progress meetings Parents evening EYFS team meetings In house moderation | GLD Projections for EOY Cluster moderation EYFS team meetings Phase meeting and internal moderations | Pupil progress meetings Parents evening EYFS team meetings Tapestry data | Cluster moderation EYFS team meetings Phase meeting and internal moderations | Pupil progress meetings End of year reports GLD Data |
| Parental Involvement | Harvest Assembly | Christmas Production Parents Evening | Phonics Workshop | Easter Assembly Parents Evening | Stay and Learn | EYFS Assembly Sports Day |
| Communication & Language | development. The number and qua echoing back what they say with ne providing them with extensive oppo | en language underpins all seven areality of the conversations they have we wocabulary added, practitioners wortunities to use and embed new wo | as of learning and development. Child with adults and peers throughout the d will build children's language effectively rds in a range of contexts, will give chi witioning that invites them to elaborate, | ren's back-and-forth interactions from ay in a language-rich environment is concerning frequently to children, and addrenthe opportunity to thrive. Throu | rucial. By commenting on what child engaging them actively in stories, non gh conversation, story-telling and role | ren are interested in or doing, and n-fiction, rhymes and poems, and then e play, where children share their |
| Daily Story Time Aims | Welcome to EYFS Settling in activities Making friends Children talking about experiences that are familiar to them What are your passions / goals / dreams? This is me! Rhyming and alliteration Familiar Print Sharing facts about me! Model talk routines through the day. For example, arriving in school and saying 'Good morning, how are you?' | Tell Me A Story! Develop vocabulary Discovering Passions Tell me a story - retelling stories Story language Word hunts Listening and responding to stories Following instructions Take part in discussion Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. Use new vocabulary through the day. Choose books that will develop their vocabulary. | Tell Me Why! Using language well Ask how and why questions Discovering Passions Retell a story with story language Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Describe events in some detail. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding Learn rhymes, poems and songs. | Talk it through! Describe events in detail - time adverbials Discovering Passions Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. Use picture cue cards to talk about an object: "What colour is it? Where would you find it? Sustained focus when listening to a story | What happened? Discovering Passions Re-read some books so children learn the language necessary to talk about what is happening in each illustration and relate it to their own lives | Time to share! Show and tell Weekend news Discovering Passions Read aloud books to children that will extend their knowledge of the world and illustrate a current topic. Select books containing photographs and pictures, for example, places in different weather conditions and seasons. |
| PSED | important attachments that shape t to manage emotions, develop a pos and guidance, they will learn how to | their social world. Strong, warm and itive sense of self, set themselves sind to look after their bodies, including he | for children to lead healthy and happy supportive relationships with adults emple goals, have confidence in their owealthy eating, and manage personal news will provide a secure platform from w | nable children to learn how to unders on abilities, to persist and wait for wh teds independently. Through supporte | tand their own feelings and those of one of the they want and direct attention as red interaction with other children, the | others. Children should be supported necessary. Through adult modelling |
| Managing Self & Self- Regulation | Being Me in My World Self-identity | Celebrating Difference Identifying talents | Dreams & Goals Challenges | Healthy Me Exercising bodies | Relationships Family life | Changing Me Changes in me |
| Jigsaw PSHE | Understanding feelings Being in a classroom Being gentle Rights and responsibilities | Being special Families Where we live Making friends Standing up for yourself How to deal with anger | Perseverance Goal-setting Overcoming obstacles Seeking help Jobs | Physical activity Healthy food Sleep Keeping clean Safety Give children strategies for staying calm in the face of frustration | Friendships Breaking friendships Falling out Dealing with bullying Being a good friend Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. | Changes since being a baby Linking growing and learning Coping with change Transition Taking part in sports day Winning and losing |

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| | | Ask children to explain to others how they thought about a problem or an emotion and how they dealt with it. | Achieving goals Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally Encourage them to think about their own feelings and those of others by giving explicit examples of how others might feel in particular scenarios | Talk them through why we take turns, wait politely, tidy up after ourselves and so on | Discuss why we take turns, wait politely, tidy up after ourselves and so on. | Model positive behaviour and highlight exemplary behaviour of children in class, narrating what was kind and considerate about the behaviour |
| Physical Development | sensory explorations and the developmentunities for play both indoors developing healthy bodies and social | opment of a child's strength, co-ordin and outdoors, adults can support ch al and emotional well-being. Fine mo | em to pursue happy, healthy and active nation and positional awareness through their core strength, so tor control and precision helps with healthy small tools, with feedback and | gh tummy time, crawling and play mo stability, balance, spatial awareness, co and-eye co-ordination, which is later I | vement with both objects and adults. o-ordination and agility. Gross motor inked to early literacy. Repeated and | By creating games and providing skills provide the foundation for varied opportunities to explore and |
| Get Set 4 PE Unit | p.o, | | Fundamentals: Unit 1 | Fundamentals: Unit 2 | Dance: Unit 1 | Gymnastics: Unit 1 |
| Indoor PE | | | Fundamental skills will include balancing, running, changing direction, jumping, hopping and travelling. Children will develop gross motor skills through a range of activities. They will learn how to stay safe using space, follow rules and instructions and work independently and with a partner. | Children will develop fundamental ball skills such as throwing and catching, rolling a ball, using targets, dribbling with feet, kicking a ball, bouncing and catching a ball. Children will be able to develop their fine and gross motor skills though a range of game play with balls. Children will work independently and with a partner and will develop decision making and using simple tactics. | Children explore space and how to use space safely. They explore travelling movements, shapes and balances. Children choose their own actions in response to a stimulus. They are given the opportunity to copy, repeat and remember actions. They are introduced to counting to help them keep in time with the music. They perform to others and begin to provide simple feedback. | Children explore creating shapes, balances, and jumps and begin to develop rocking and rolling. They show an awareness of space and how to use it safely and perform basic skills on both floor and apparatus. They copy, create, remember and repeat short sequences. They begin to understand using levels and directions when traveling and balancing. |
| Fine Motor | Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Manipulate objects with good fine motor skills Draw lines and circles using gross motor movements Hold pencil/paint brush beyond whole hand grasp Pencil Grip | Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Develop muscle tone to put pencil pressure on paper Use tools to effect changes to materials Show preference for dominant hand Engage children in structured activities: guide them in what to draw, write or copy. Teach and model correct letter formation. | Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Begin to form letters correctly Handle tools, objects, construction and malleable materials with increasing control Encourage children to draw freely. Holding Small Items Button Clothing Cutting with Scissors | Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Hold pencil effectively with comfortable grip Form recognisable letters most correctly formed | Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Develop pencil grip and letter formation continually Use one hand consistently for fine motor tasks Cut along a straight line with scissors Start to cut along a curved line, like a circle Draw a cross | Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Form letters correctly Copy a square Begin to draw diagonal lines and colour inside the lines of a picture Start to draw pictures that are recognisable Build things with smaller linking blocks, such as Duplo or Lego |
| Gross Motor | Cooperation games i.e. parachute games. Climbing on outdoor equipment Different ways of moving to be explored with children | Ball skills - throwing and catching. Crates play - climbing. Skipping ropes in outside area Dance related activities | Ball skills - aiming, dribbling, pushing, throwing & catching, patting, or kicking Ensure that spaces are accessible to children with varying confidence levels, skills and needs. | Balance - children moving with confidence Provide opportunities for children to, spin, rock, tilt, fall, slide and bounce. | Obstacle activities children moving over, under, through and around equipment Encourage children to be highly active and get out of breath several times every day. | Races / team games involving gross motor movements Dance related activities Allow less competent and confident children to spend time initially |

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| | Acknowledge and praise their efforts. | Provide a range of wheeled resources for children to balance, sit or ride on, or pull and push. Two-wheeled balance bikes and pedal bikes without stabilisers, skateboards, wheelbarrows, prams and carts are all good options | Provide a wide range of activities to support a broad range of abilities. Dancing and moving to music | | Provide opportunities for children to, spin, rock, tilt, fall, slide and bounce. Dance / moving to music | observing and listening, without feeling pressured to join in. |
| Literacy | birth. It only develops when adults | talk with children about the world arking out of the pronunciation of unfa | onsists of two dimensions: language co round them and the books (stories and amiliar printed words (decoding) and the writing) | non-fiction) they read with them, an | d enjoy rhymes, poems and songs tog | ether. Skilled word reading, taught |
| Comprehension | Joining in with rhymes and showing an interest in stories with repeated refrains. Environment print. Having a favourite story/rhyme. Understand the five key concepts about print: - print has meaning - print can have different purposes - we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom - the names of the different parts of a book Sequencing familiar stories through the use of pictures to tell the story. Recognising initial sounds. Name writing activities. Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new | Retell stories related to events through acting/role play. Christmas letters/lists. Retelling stories using images / apps. Story Maps. Retelling of stories. Editing of story maps and orally retelling new stories. Sequence story — use vocabulary of beginning, middle and end. Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter— sound correspondences. Enjoy an increasing range of books | Making up stories with themselves as the main character Encourage children to record stories through picture drawing/mark making. Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter—sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words. Read a few common exception words matched to RWI. Make the books available for children to share at school and at home. Avoid asking children to read books at home they cannot yet read. | Predicting story endings Sequencing events Making connections (life cycles, animals) Understanding new vocabulary (e.g., oviparous, hatch, life cycle) Identifying key characters and settings Discussing key messages (growth, change, new life) Answering how/why questions | Predicting what will happen next Asking and answering questions about unfamiliar roles Retelling key events from stories Discussing feelings and choices characters make Exploring how characters help others and how we can help Comparing different helpers and their jobs Using new vocabulary in context (emergency, uniform, equipment, medicine) | Stories from other cultures and traditions Can draw pictures of characters/event / setting in a story Listen to stories, accurately anticipating key events & respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions and reactions. Make predictions Beginning to understand that a nonfiction is a non-story- it gives information instead. Fiction means story. Can point to front cover, back cover, spine, blurb, illustration, illustrator, author and title. Sort books into categories. |
| Word Reading | reading: Initial sounds, oral blending, CVC sounds, reciting known stories, listening to stories with attention and recall. Help children to read the sounds speedily. This will make sound blending easier Listen to children read aloud, ensuring books are consistent with their developing phonic knowledge | Phonic Sounds: RWI Differentiated groups Reading: Blending CVC sounds, rhyming, alliteration, know that print is read from left to right. Spotting diagraphs in words. Show children how to touch each finger as they say each sound. For exception words such as 'the' and 'said', help children identify the sound that is tricky to spell. | Phonic Sounds: RWI Differentiated groups / Ditties Reading: Rhyming strings, common theme in traditional tales, identifying characters and settings. Help children to become familiar with letter groups, such as 'th', 'sh', 'ch', 'ee' 'or' 'igh'. Provide opportunities for children to read words containing familiar letter groups: 'that', 'shop', 'chin', 'feet', 'storm', 'night'. | Phonic Sounds: RWI Differentiated groups Reading: Story structure-beginning, middle, end. Innovating and retelling stories to an audience, non-fiction books. Listen to children read some longer words made up of letter-sound correspondences they know: 'rabbit', 'himself', 'jumping'. Children should not be required to use other strategies to work out words. | Phonic Sounds: RWI Differentiated groups Reading: Non-fiction texts, Internal blending Naming letters of the alphabet. Distinguishing capital letters and lower-case letters. Note correspondences between letters and sounds that are unusual or that they have not yet been taught, such as 'do', 'said', 'were'. | Phonic Sounds: RWI Differentiated groups Reading: Reading simple sentences with fluency. Reading CVCC and CCVC words confidently. Transition work with Year 1 staff |

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| Writing See focus texts at start of document | Dominant hand, tripod grip, mark making, giving meaning to marks and labelling. Shopping lists Writing initial sounds and simple captions. Use initial sounds to label characters / images | Name writing, labelling using initial sounds, story scribing. Retelling stories in writing area, instructions for porridge. Help children identify the sound that is tricky to spell. Sequence the story Write a sentence | Writing some of the tricky words such as I, me, my, like, to, the. Writing CVC words, Labels using CVC, CVCC, CCVC words. Guided writing based around developing short sentences in a meaningful context. Create a story board. | Week 1: Label diagrams of eggs/birds Week 2: Write simple dinosaur fact files Week 3: Write descriptive sentences about reptiles Week 4: Sequence and caption life cycle pictures (butterfly) Week 5: Create a class book: 'Animals that lay eggs' Week 6: Write a fantasy egg description (what's inside?) Week 7: Easter cards; write messages | Week 1: Writing about feelings / writing a 'helping hand' promise Week 2: Write thank you cards to school helpers Week 3: Simple police/fire emergency scenarios (If I see a fire I call) Week 4: Write about who helps us when we are poorly Week 5: Write a dental hygiene poster or caption pictures of the dentist Week 6: Write a 'lost pet' poster for a missing animal Week 7: Write letters to Postman / create shopping lists / library cards | Story writing, writing sentences using a range of tricky words that are spelt correctly. Beginning to use full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. Innovation of familiar texts Using familiar texts as a model for writing own stories. Character description Write three sentences - B, M & E. |
| Maths | numbers to 10, the relationships be pebbles and tens frames for organis opportunities for children to develo | tween them and the patterns within sing counting - children will develop a p their spatial reasoning skills across | n develop the necessary building block those numbers. By providing frequen a secure base of knowledge and vocab a all areas of mathematics including sh a adults and peers about what they no | t and varied opportunities to build ar Julary from which mastery of mathem ape, space and measures. It is import | nd apply this understanding-such as us natics is built. In addition, it is importal ant that children develop positive atti | sing manipulatives, including small nt that the curriculum includes rich |
| Maths – No problem! Coverage | Number: Counting up to 10 Comparing numbers and groups Identifying representations of 5 Numerical Patterns: Matching by function, number and other properties Sorting, identifying sets and matching amounts Comparing and ordering based on height, lengths and time AB patterns | Number: Subitise to 5 Composition of numbers up to 5 Numerical Patterns: Ordering days of the week, events in the day 2D shapes Positional Language | Number: Understanding and visualising zero 1 fewer, 1 more Counting forwards and backwards Adding to 5 and 10 Adding by counting on Using a ten frame Subitise to 5 Sharing Number bonds to 6 Numerical Patterns: Position in a queue Cardinality Conservation of number Comparing quantities | Number: Number bonds to 7 8, 9, 10 Partitioning Numerical Patterns: Recognise, describe, create and extend a pattern Spot mistakes in patterns Measuring lengths and heights Capacity – empty, full, half full, nearly full, nearly empty Comparing and estimating capacity 2D shapes 3D shapes | Number: Counting to 20 Making numbers 1-20 Different representations of numbers 11-20 Numerical Patterns: Counting sequences Counting on Counting backwards Finding an unknown amount 1 more 1 less Ordering numbers Double Equal sharing Halving Odd and even | Numerical Patterns: Sharing money and giving change Collecting data Tally charts Word problems Mass Measuring mass with non-standard units Volume and capacity Recognising coins |

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| Understanding the World | around them –from visiting parks, lib poems will foster their understanding | 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. | | | | | | | | |
| Snap Science Units | Our Changing World: Autumn | | Chemistry: Objects & Materials Our Changing World: Winter | Biology: Animals & Plants Our Changing World: Spring | Physics: Light, space, electricity & movement | Our Changing World: Summer | | | | |
| | Identifying their family Commenting on photos of their family; naming who they can see and of what relation they are to them. Can talk about what they do with their family and places they have been with their family. Can draw similarities and make comparisons between other families. Name and describe people who are familiar to them. Read fictional stories about families and start to tell the difference between real and fiction. Talk about members of their immediate family and community. Navigating around our classroom and outdoor areas. Create treasure hunts to find places/ objects within our learning environment. Introduce children to different occupations and how they use transport to help them in their jobs. Long ago – How time has changed. Using cameras. | Listen out for and make note of children's discussion between themselves regarding their experience of past birthday celebrations. Talk about what they have done with their families during Christmas' in the past. Show photos of how Christmas used to be celebrated in the past. Use world maps to show children where some stories are based. Use the Jolly Postman to draw information from a map and begin to understand why maps are so important to postmen. Introduce children to a range of fictional characters and creatures from stories and to begin to differentiate these characters from real people in their lives. | Listening to stories and placing events in chronological order. What can we do here to take care of animals in the arctic? Compare animals from a cold setting to those on a farm. Explore a range of arctic animals. Learn their names and label their body parts. Nocturnal Animals Use images, video clips, shared texts and other resources to bring the wider world into the classroom. Listen to what children say about what they see Listen to children describing and commenting on things they have seen whilst outside, including plants and animals. What is best to wear in the cold? How do things melt? What melts. Mixing things, sieving and separating | School trip - discuss what we will see on our journey to the park and how we will get there. Introduce the children to recycling and how it can take care of our world. Look at what rubbish can do to our environment and animals. Create opportunities to discuss how we care for the natural world around us. Can children make comments on the weather, culture, clothing, housing. Change in living things — Changes in the leaves, weather, seasons, Explore the world around us and see how it changes as we enter Summer. Provide opportunities for children to note and record the weather. Building a 'Bug Hotel' Draw children's attention to the immediate environment, introducing and modelling new vocabulary where appropriate. Encourage interactions with the outdoors to foster curiosity and give children freedom to touch, smell and hear the natural world around them during hands-on experiences. | Recognise similarities and differences between story settings and their own lives Understand how the school library and local library work and experience selecting books based on preferences and enjoyment Recognise key important figures in stories such as police officers Understand stranger danger and what to do to keep ourselves safe What happens at night and what is in the sky What makes thing move | Use Handa's Surprise to explore a different country. Discuss how they got to school and what mode of transport they used. Introduce the children to a range of transport and where they can be found. Look at the difference between transport in this country and one other country. Encourage the children to make simple comparisons. Use bee-bots on simple maps. Encourage the children to use navigational language. Can children talk about their homes and what there is to do near their homes Making sense of different environments and habitats for animals Encourage them to comment on what their home is like. Show photos of the children's homes and encourage them to draw comparisons. Environments — Features of local environment Maps of local area Comparing places on Google Earth — how are they similar/different? Can children differentiate between land and water. | | | | |

| Jigsaw RE | What makes people special? | What is Christmas? | How do people celebrate? | Look for children incorporating their understanding of the seasons and weather in their play. After close observation, draw pictures of the natural world, including animals and plants What is Easter? | What can we learn from stories? | Share non-fiction texts that offer an insight into contrasting environments. Listen to how children communicate their understanding of their own environment and contrasting environments through conversation and in play. What makes places special? |
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| Expressive Arts & Design | range of media and materials. The qua repetition and depth of their experien- | lity and variety of what children see, ces are fundamental to their progress | r imagination and creativity. It is importa hear and participate in is crucial for devo in interpreting and appreciating what the ic. Discuss changes and patterns as a pie | eloping their understanding, self-expressively hear, respond to and observe. Give | sion, vocabulary and ability to commur | nicate through the arts. The frequency, |
| Kapow Art Units | Drawing: Marvellous Marks Craft & Design: Let's Get Crafty | | Sculpture: Creation Station | | Painting & Mixed Media: Paint My World | |
| Kapow D&T Units | | Structures: Junk Modelling | | Cooking & Nutrition: Soup | Textiles: Book Marks | Structures: Boats |
| | Join in with songs, join in with role play games and use resources available for props Sing call-and-response songs, so that children can echo phrases of songs you sing. Exploring sounds and how they can be changed, tapping out of simple rhythms. Begin to mix colours, build models using construction equipment. Self-portraits, junk modelling, take picture of children's creations and record them explaining what they did. Provide opportunities to work together to develop and realise creative ideas. | Listen to music and make their own dances in response. Firework pictures, Christmas decorations, Christmas cards, Divas, Christmas songs/poems The use of story maps, props, puppets & story bags will encourage children to retell, invent and adapt stories. Role Play parties and celebrations Role Play of The Nativity | Children will be encouraged to select the tools and techniques they need to assemble materials that they are using e.g creating animal masks. Puppet making, Shadow Puppets Teach children different techniques for joining materials, such as how to use adhesive tape and different sorts of glue. | Junk modelling nests / habitats for egg-laying animals Create papier-mâché dinosaur eggs Design and make 3D insects from recycled materials Build mini animal homes (construction kits, blocks) Create and decorate fantasy dragon eggs Design and make Easter baskets | Junk modelling: build emergency vehicles Construct hospitals / police stations / fire stations with blocks Create simple first aid kits in role play Make healthy snacks (linked to dentists / doctors) Design posters about road safety / fire safety Create uniforms for dolls / small world people Design and make a post box / post van | Puppet shows: Provide a wide range of props for play which encourage imagination. Water pictures, collage, shading by adding black or white, colour mixing for beach huts, making passports. Colour mixing underwater pictures. Learn a traditional African song and dance and perform it Exploration of other countries — dressing up in different costumes |