



Cycle 2



Should we go on a Bear Hunt?

Parental Engagement	Key Text	Traditional Tales and Rhymes	Trips and Experiences	Festivals and Special Times
Reading/Phonics Workshop	We're Going on a Bear Hunt Michael Rosen Rolleden Oxenbury	The Gingerbread Man	Woodland walks	Shrove Tuesday Lunar New Year
Parent/Carer termly phone call		The Gingerbread Man	Teddy bear's picnic	Sukkot Mental Health Week
Catherine Rayner FIVE BECKS	We're Going on a Bear Hunt	and by last indexes	Caterpillars in class	Safer Internet Day
Common Co	We will also be reading lots of	Bible Story: Noah's Ark		Value and the
	other stories, songs and rhymes daily.			

Characteristics of effective Learning:

Playing and Exploring - During this topic the children will be encouraged to play and explore using knowledge they already have and supported to develop a 'have a go' attitude at school.

Active learning - The children will be provided with daily activities that allow them to be active and involved in their learning. The activities will help develop concentration and attention.

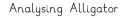
Creating and thinking Critically - Our continuous provision will strongly encourage the children to explore their own ideas and to tackle a task how they feel best suit.

We have an animal for each learning behaviour. These are:





Creative Chameleon	Persevering parrot	Go for it Gorillas	Proud Peacock
Slinky Linky Snake	Reflecting Rhino	Exploring Elephants	Choosing Chimps



Prime Areas of learning



Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Self-Regulation

Managing Self

Building Relationships

Personally, Socially and Emotionally we will be...

- Describe seasonal changes
- Use key vocabulary relating to natural change, e.g. weather, seasons, cold, hot
- Describe the life cycle of an animal
- Talk about how babies change as they grow
- Explain what babies need and how this changes as they grow
- Share their own experiences and listen to those of the others
- Talk about the similarities and differences between the males and females
- Begin to play inclusively with their friends, regardless of their sex (if not already doing so)
- Think differently and more openly about what a family may look like
- Select and use activities and resources, with help when needed. This helps them to achieve a goal they have chosen, or one, which is suggested to them.
- Develop their sense of responsibility and membership of a community.
- Help to find solutions to conflicts and rivalries. For example, accepting that not everyone can be Spider-Man in the game, and suggesting other ideas.
- Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are important.
- Do not always need an adult to remind them of a rule.
- Develop appropriate ways of being assertive.
- Talk with others to solve conflicts.
- Talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'.
- Show more confidence in new social situations
- Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of their setting.

We will achieve this by... SCARF Theme: Growing and Changing

Seasons walk and Local walks

Collecting natural objects and making collages or a masking tape bracelet

Finding examples of something they discover using each of their senses.

Make a book or display area of photographs and things you collect for the children to explore independently.

Weather watch

Making weather bags

Songs related to seasons and growing.

Growing cress and sharing books:





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	 Play with one or more other children, extending and elaborating play ideas. Begin to understand how others might be feeling. 	The Tiny Seedby Eric Carle, The Growing Storyby Ruth Krauss, Seasonsby Hannah Pang
	E-Safety Focus: I know I can put information on the internet.	Sharing baby photos and thinking about what does a baby need?
	Learning at home-sharing baby/different family photographs	Ask the children to think about and drawing pictures of what they want to be when they grow up.
		Books: My New Baby by Rachel Fuller, Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes by Mem Fox, Babies Don't Eat Pizza by Diane Danzig. This book also teaches about diversity as it covers issues such as multicultural families, adoption, breastfeeding, and babies with special needs.
Communication and Language	As Communicators we will	We will achieve this by
Listening, attention and understanding Speaking	 Understand simple questions about 'who', 'what' and 'where' (but generally not 'why'). Use a wider range of vocabulary. Sing a large repertoire of songs. Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story. Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens. Use longer sentences of four to six words. Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as "Get your coat and wait at the door". Learning at home- Sharing rhymes at home	Sharing lots of stories in the library, book corner and daily reading WellComm activities/interventions Introducing and using interesting words to describe our snack and other materials such as the weather and things we notice in the environment. 'I wonder' questions about everyday experiences such as the weather, science investigations and Responding to stories Asking questions about the woods and seasons etc Daily welcome to nursery, talking about the weather, season and children's experiences Introduce new vocabulary - add words to our story board from the story. Daily singing nursery rhymes and topic songs
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Physical Development	 Physically, we will Make healthy choices about food, drink and tooth brushing Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and ball skills. 	Daily activities and routines such as: Putting our coats on and zipping them up Getting ready for our Seasonal walks and dressing for the different seasons and weather Daily healthy snack including fruit, water and milk







Gross motor skills

Fine motor skills

- Skip, hop and pose for a game
- Increasingly independent meeting own needs
- Run skilfully, negotiating space Run safely on whole foot

Learning at home- Healthy Teddy Bear's picnic



Daily washing hands and learning to be independent such as going to the toilet and taking care of ourselves

Lots of fine motor activities to build the strength in our hands and fingers:

Making snips with paper- Practise tearing paper Digging , scooping, pouring

Sand/ water (buckets, spades and jugs)

Able to use a spoon to feed self/ cups to drink
Paint brushes - large movements - circular, up and
down- large paintbrushes/ large sheets of paper/
ground

Use tweezers to pick up/ move large objects i.e. pompoms

Thread large objects onto pipe cleaners Using a variety of tools to manipulate play dough Using glue spreaders

Use tweezers to pick up/ move smaller objects i.e. Small pompoms/ objects

Practise activities to promote crossing the mid-line of the body i.e. passing a ball from left to right Focussing on using a fist grip to grip pencils

Lots of large (gross) movement activities: Use crates and planks of wood to build obstacle courses

Use of climbing frame Practise throwing and catching large ball with one bounce between the catch

Practise riding the bikes and scooters Galloping races Balancing on one leg during Simon Says game

Specific Areas of learning

Literacy

As Readers, Writers and Mark makers we will be...



- Noticing print such as the first letter in our name or a familiar logo
- Name the different parts of a book
- Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.
- Count or clap syllables in a word

We will achieve this by...

Exploring the logo wall-talking about words and logos all around us

Word walks-looking for signs and words around our environment





Reading

Writing

Comprehension

spot and suggest rhymes

begin to recognise words with the same initial

sound, such as money and mother

- 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; write 'm' for mummy.
- Write some or all of their name.

In phase I phonics, we will be learning to:

- Develop listening skills and awareness of sounds in the environment
- Talk about sounds in greater detail
- Develop awareness of sounds made with instruments
- Listen to and appreciate the difference between sounds made with instruments
- Use a wide vocabulary to talk about instrument sounds
- Develop awareness of sounds and rhythms
- Distinguish between sounds and remember patterns of sound
- Talk about sounds we make with our bodies and what the sounds mean
- Experience and appreciate rhythm and rhyme
- Develop awareness of rhythm and rhyme in speech
- Increase awareness of words that rhyme and develop knowledge about rhyme · Talk about words that rhyme and produce rhyming words
- Develop understanding of alliteration
- Listen to sounds at the beginning of words and hear the differences between them
- Explore how different sounds are articulated
- Distinguish between the differences in vocal sounds
- Explore speech sounds
- Talk about the different sounds that we can make with our voices
- Develop oral blending and segmenting of sounds in words
- Listen to sounds within words and remember them in the order in which they occur
- Talk about the different sounds that make up words

Learning at home-name writing

Lots of opportunities to make marks such as lists, name writing, drawing, write dance, patterns in nature, labels- model writing for lots of different purposes

Writing letters in our names

Weekly pattern drawing from letter join Name card wall- talking about our names and the phonemes they begin with

Clapping our names and other words

Lots of stories such as We're Going on a Bear hunt and many, many more

Daily reading for pleasure

Story boards and maps to retell our class story

Small world play to act out stories

Making maps to get to the woods/find the Bear Role play area to act out and tell stories

Daily phonics such as listening walks, listening to everyday sounds and describe them, exploring instruments

Book voting station to vote and share our favourite books

Exploring and making the different settings from the story such as the woods

Joins in with familiar rhymes and stories Singing Nursery Rhymes

Hears and uses new vocabulary from stories, rhymes, poems and nonfiction books

Story times/ topic learning Sequences stories/ events (not always in order) Identifies characters/ settings/ events in stories Knows that print carries meaning and is read, in English, from left to right

Traditional Tales topic/ Story times

Pencil control: Using mark makers with developing tripod grip and dominant hand to follow large pattern outlines such as wavy lines or straight lines

We will be following the Twinkl phase I phonics: Seaside





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Maths	As Mathematicians we will be	Park Shopping Centre In the Woods Café The Gingerbread Man We will achieve this by
Number Numerical patterns	 Arranging things in patterns Recognising small groups of objects up to 3 without counting Reciting numbers past 5 Saying one number for each item in order- 1,2,3,4,5 Showing 'finger numbers' up to 5 Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5. Knows that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle'). Understanding and using positional words Talking about and identifying patterns around us Talks about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: sides, 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'. Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prism for a roof etc. Combine shapes to make new ones - an arch, a bigger triangle etc. Extend and create ABAB patterns - stick, leaf, stick, leaf. Describe a familiar route. Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'. Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity. 	Learning about the numbers 5-10 through number blocks- counting, comparing amounts and recording in our ways Exploring patterns in nature such as leaves Making groups of objects and quickly recalling how many such as 3 conkers or 3 sticks Making collections from our woodland adventures Daily counting for different purposes such as how much milk we need? Or sharing the fruit Using positional language to talk settings in the story eg over, under, through Exploring bear patterns Using shapes to make bears Using natural materials to create repeating patterns Making maps and describing routes to the woods Comparing bear sizes eg their height, length and weight
Understanding the World	Learning at home- counting rhymes Learning about People & the World, we will be to be the world.	We will achieve this by
	Talk about what they see using a wide range of vocabulary	Using our senses to explore what's inside the curiosity cube Woodland walks







Past and present

People, culture and communities

The natural world

Identify key areas of the local area - house, church, woods, post office and shop

Begin to make sense of their own life story and family's history.

Explore pictures of their classroom environment and identifies how their learning environment has changed across the week, term and year - imitate everyday actions and events from their own family and cultural background - explore family, school and community customs and routines

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Kapow Computing- We will be learning to:

Following instructions

- Giving simple instructions
- Dressing up instructions
- Debugging

In RE we will be learning about Which times are Special and Why? Give examples of special occasions and suggest features of a good celebration Recall simple stories from Christmas, Easter and a festival from another faith Say why these festivals are special times for believers

Learning at home- Chinese New Year and Shrove Tuesday activities

Using our senses to explore the season of Spring Small world areas to tell stories and let our imagination run wild

Collecting natural materials and using our senses to talk about them

Daily discussions about the seasons and weather Welly walks and talking about the changes in weather and the seasons

Learning about bears in different countries and finding out all about bears

Lots of books, poems and rhymes about different families - PSED links

Role play areas- The Bear's cave

Celebrations- Pancake day, Chinese New Year and Holi festival

Walk to the woods to go on our own bear hunt Bible stories

Weekly assemblies with Mrs Berry

Godly play sessions

Bear songs and rhymes

Daily prayers/reflection and thank you thoughts led by the children

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Expressive Arts and Design

Imaginatively and as Artists, Musicians and Designers we will be ...

• Show emotions in their drawings and paintings.

We will achieve this by...

Daily sound games-listening to different sounds and making sounds using our voices and instruments







Creating with materials

Being imaginative and expressive

• Draw with increasing complexity and detail such as a face.

- Use their imagination as they consider what they can do with different materials
- Develop their own ideas and decide which materials to use to express them
- Listen with increased attention to sounds
- Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings
- Play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas

Kapow Music- Exploring Sound:

Vocal Sounds Body Sounds Instrumental Sounds Environmental Sounds

Nature Sounds Learning at home-natural material bags



Naming and using different colours to create our paintings, collages and other art work

Using different materials to build models and make things

Small world area to retell familiar stories and make up new story lines

Weekly Kapow music learning songs and exploring sound

Create patterns using natural materials from the woods

Our focus artist is Andy Goldsworthy

We will be learning to use natural materials to make pictures and patterns

