

Year 4 Football Autumn																
Crucial Knowledge & Skills	Key Concepts	Other Key Vocabulary														
FOOTBALL BALL CONTROL AND MOVEMENT  Children can dribble, pass, and receive the ball using different parts of the foot with increasing control, awareness and fluency TEAMWORK AND COMMUNICATION  Stepping next to the ball and striking it with the inside of the foot TACKLING  ATTACKING AND DEFENDING PRINCIPLES Children understand how to create and use space, support teammates in attack, and apply pressure or marking to regain possession in defence.  Children can work cooperatively in small teams, using verbal and no-verbal communication, and reflect on their performance using peer feedback strategies, DRIBBLING  Moving the ball with short touches using the inside and outside of the foot SHOOTING  Striking the ball with the aim of scoring goal TACKLING Approaching from the side to win the ball cleanly from an opponent PASSING  Approaching from the side to win the ball cleanly from an opponent CREATING SPACE  Blocking and delaying an opponent to stop them advancing	- Children can apply teamwork strategies, such as creating space and supporting others. - Children are developing the ability to evaluate their own and others' performance constructively. - Children can cooperate using Kagan structures like Rally Coach, Timed Pair Share, and Round Robin in game-based situations. Important Techniques & Terms <table><tr><td>Dribbling</td><td>Use inside and outside of foot, keep ball close, head up, change direction & speed</td></tr><tr><td>Passing</td><td>Step next to ball, strike with inside of foot, follow through towards target</td></tr><tr><td>Receiving</td><td>Cushion the ball using foot or thigh, watch the ball, soft touch</td></tr><tr><td>Shooting</td><td>Strike with laces or inside, aim low corners, body over the ball</td></tr><tr><td>Defending</td><td>Stay low, track player, use side-on stance, timing to intercept or tackle</td></tr><tr><td>Attacking Space</td><td>Move into space, signal for pass, time your runs</td></tr><tr><td>Small-Sided Games</td><td>Apply learned skills in 3v3, 4v4, and 5v5 games, with clear roles</td></tr></table>	Dribbling	Use inside and outside of foot, keep ball close, head up, change direction & speed	Passing	Step next to ball, strike with inside of foot, follow through towards target	Receiving	Cushion the ball using foot or thigh, watch the ball, soft touch	Shooting	Strike with laces or inside, aim low corners, body over the ball	Defending	Stay low, track player, use side-on stance, timing to intercept or tackle	Attacking Space	Move into space, signal for pass, time your runs	Small-Sided Games	Apply learned skills in 3v3, 4v4, and 5v5 games, with clear roles	Dribbling – Children can move the ball using different parts of their foot with control, keeping their head up and maintaining awareness of others. Passing – Children can pass the ball accurately using the inside of the foot and make appropriate choices about when and where to pass. Receiving – Children can stop or control the ball using their foot or thigh to prepare for the next action. Attacking and Defending – Children understand basic principles of how to keep or win possession, including marking, covering, and creating space.
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