



Reception Spring 1 Planning 2026



Key Skills

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<u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u>		<u>Communication and Language</u>	<u>Physical Development</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See themselves as a valuable individual. • Build constructive and respectful relationships. • Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others, regulate behaviour accordingly. • Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others. • Give focused attention to what the teacher says • Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers. • Set and work towards simple goals. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. • Articulate ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. • Describe events in some detail. • Engage in story times. • Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. • Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers. • Engage in non-fiction books. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, running, hopping, skipping, climbing. • Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. • Develop overall body strength, co-ordination and balance. • Develop small motor skills- holding pencil correctly, using scissors etc • Combine different movements with ease and fluency.
<u>Literacy</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>	<u>Understanding the World</u>	<u>Expressive Arts and Design</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Read known individual letters by saying the sounds for them. ▪ Blend known sounds into words. ▪ Read some letter groups that each represent one sound. ▪ Read a few common exception words. ▪ Read short words. ▪ Write known recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed. ▪ Write short sentences. ▪ Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using new vocabulary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count objects, actions and sounds. ▪ Subitise. ▪ Like the numeral with its cardinal number value. ▪ Explore the composition of numbers to 10. ▪ Compare numbers. ▪ Compare length, weight and capacity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. ▪ Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. ▪ Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. ▪ Understand the effect of changing seasons on the world around them. ▪ Draw information from a simple map. ▪ Recognise some environments are different to the one in which they live. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Explore a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. ▪ Safely use and explore tools. ▪ Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources and skills. ▪ Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing feelings. ▪ Develop storylines in their pretend play. ▪ Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. ▪ Explore and engage in music making, performing solo or in groups.



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Outcomes

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Continue to follow class routines, expected behaviour in school and on the playground.
Children's Mental Health Week - Understand our own and others feelings and regulate independently.
Continue to manage our own needs e.g. going to the toilet, putting on coats, managing fastenings on clothes.

Communication and Language

Role play – Travel Agents/Transport – Bus/Train station.
Listening to and retell stories – repetitive stories 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' and 'We all go Travelling by'.
Use new vocabulary in different situations.
Learn and explore new rhymes, poems and songs.
Ask questions to develop understanding.

Physical Development

Undressing and dressing for P.E.
Specific P.E lesson planning using Get Set 4 PE – Gymnastics
Using a pencil with tripod grip
Dough gym, mark making and sensory activities.
Explore block area both indoor and outdoor – making landmarks/buildings we might see in our local area.
Large construction – crates, tyres etc.
Outdoor activities – transport, travel, mapping.

Literacy

Ready Steady Write – Juniper Jupiter
Listening to stories – topic based and chosen stories for story time.
Phonics – Little Wandle – Phase 3
Recognise and write full name
Blend sounds into words to read short words and sentences.
Read and write common exception words
Begin to write simple sentences
School Library session.
Daily access to mark making/reading areas both indoors and outdoors.
Explore a variety of fiction and non-fiction books about transport/travel.

Mathematics

NCETM – Basic Skills
Subitising, counting, composition and comparing of numbers to 8, match quantity to numeral, understand part whole.

White Rose Maths
Alive in 5! – introducing zero, comparing numbers to 5, composition of 4 and 5, compare mass & capacity.

Growing 6, 7, 8 - numbers 6, 7 & 8, making pairs, combining 2 groups.

Mass & Capacity – compare mass, find a balance, explore & compare capacity.

Understanding the World

Simple mapping – journeys to and around school, different types of maps.
Recognise similarities and differences between our culture and others.
Understand similarities and differences between things in the past and now – transport.
Recognise different beliefs and celebrations that are special to members of our community – Chinese New Year.
Look at the natural world around us – winter weather.

Expressive Arts and Design

How to use the equipment within the creative area safely.
Develop experience of model making – landmarks.
Specific Music lesson taught by specialist music teacher.
Exploring musical instruments.
Daily access to construction/small world areas both indoors and outdoors.
Use designing skills – maps, buildings, transport.
Develop storylines in their independent play.
Perform songs and rhymes – we're going on a bear hunt, we all go travelling by.

Religious Education

To know you more clearly branch 3 – Galilee to Jerusalem

'Jesus shows his love for us.'

Enhancements

Travel Agents/Transport.
Safer Internet Day
Children's Mental Health Week
Chinese New Year
Stay & Play
Weekly visits from Deacon Paul
School trip – Storybarn @ Calderstones

Spanish

Greetings.
How are you?
Numbers to 10.
Animals.
Colours.
Parts of the body.
Spanish songs.