



Curriculum Overview 2025-2026



Reception

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Literacy	Rainbow fish (setting and description) Rhyme. Don't hog the hedge! Diwali Pumpkin soup.	Christmas cards. Rhyming books. Letter writing. List writing. Description writing.	Pancake shopping list. Instruction writing. The Lighthouse keeper's lunch. Penguins Fiction/non-fiction texts. The Gruffalo.	Lost and Found. The smartest giant in town. Life cycles and growing.	The Zoo Vet. Owl babies. Monkey puzzle. Story mapping. Recount writing.	Hats- invitation to hat party. Hat descriptions using adjectives. People who help us. Minibeast.
Mathematics	Match sort and compare. Count objects to 10 and beyond. Talk about measure and patterns.	Order numbers to 20. Use 2d shape vocabulary. 1 more and 1 less. Patterns.	Use add and subtract vocabulary. Writing numbers. Order items by weight and capacity. Addition. Subtraction.	Recognise coins and their value. Use 3d shape vocabulary. Recognise numbers to 20. Capacity, comparing quantities and objects.	Solve problems involving doubling and halving. Distance and number. Addition and subtraction.	Time Position and distance. Number bonds Problem solving.
Understanding the world	Diwali traditions and celebrations. Hedgehogs. Growing pumpkins. Under the sea- habitats.	Bonfire night. Nativity. Christmas all over the world.	Chinese new year. Light houses. The role of a light keeper. Easter Story.	Penguins. Giraffes. Life cycle of a butterfly. Growing a seed.	The role of a zoo vet. Where animals live. Hot and cold places.	People who help us. Minibeasts.
Expressive art and design	Diva lamps Rangoli patterns. Mixing colours. Sing songs and rhymes. Rainbow fish creations. Clay hedgehogs.	Rocket and firework creations. Christmas cards. Christmas tree decorations. Nativity songs.	Junk modelling lighthouse. Can make music and experiment with ways of changing it.	Junk modelling boats. Toilet roll penguin. Origami cat. Giraffe fruit kababs. Can make music and experiment with ways of changing it.	Owl baby clay sculptures. Represents their own ideas, thoughts and feelings through music.	Design and make party hats. Party decorations. Represents their own ideas, thoughts and feelings through music.
Physical development	Letter formation (Len's Ladder Letters) Independently dressing. Ball games.	Number formation (0-10) Ball games.	Letter formation (Curly Cals Letters) Dance and movement.	Letter formation (Len's Ladder letters 2) Dance.	Letter formation (Zippy's Zigzag Letters) Gymnastics.	Number formation (10-20) Athletics.
Communication and language	Developing relationships. How to be a good friend. Sharing weekend news.	Re-telling the nativity story. Daily talking pictures. How to be gentle.	What did you get for Christmas? Describe feelings. Daily talking pictures.	What to do if you get lost. How to be kind. Daily talking pictures.	Name baby animals. Daily talking pictures. Guess the animal.	Describing hats using adjectives. Asking visitors questions (people who help us)
Personal, social and emotional development.	Friendships. All about me. Looking after property.	Valuing being differing. Being grateful for Christmas gifts.	Keeping safe Personal hygiene-hand washing.	Working hard. Rights and respect.	Being my best.	Growing and changing.