Early Years Pedagogy and Curriculum Mapping

We adhere to the Statutory Framework of the EYFS and the four guiding principles that shape practice within Early Years settings:

- Every child is a unique child, who is constantly learning and can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.
- Children learn to be strong and independent through positive relationships.
- Children learn and develop well in **enabling environments,** in which their experiences respond to their individual needs and there is a strong partnership between practitioners and parents and/or carers.
- Children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates.

Principles into Practice

As part of our practice we:

- Provide a balanced curriculum, based on the EYFS, across the seven areas of learning, using play as the vehicle for learning.
- Promote equality of opportunity and diversity. We provide early intervention for those children who require additional support.
- Work in partnership with parents and within the wider context.
- Plan challenging learning experiences, based on the individual child, informed by observation and assessment.
- Provide opportunities for children to engage in activities that are adult-initiated and child-initiated, supported by the adult.
- Have a key person approach to develop close relationships with individual children.
- Provide a secure and safe learning environment indoors and out.

Foundation Stage Curriculum

Throughout their time in the EYFS our children partake in an ambitious curriculum which is designed in a sequential way to ensure progress towards the end of reception goals. These goals are defined as Early Learning Goals (ELGs).

We plan an exciting and challenging curriculum based on our observation of children's needs, interests, and stages of development across the seven areas of learning to enable the children to achieve and exceed the early learning goals.

All the seven areas of learning and development are important and inter-connected.

Three areas are particularly crucial for igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, and for building their capacity to learn, form relationships and thrive.

These three areas are the **prime** areas:

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children are also supported through the four specific areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied.

The **specific** areas are:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

The curriculum is delivered using a play-based approach as outlined by the EYFS, where our early years practitioners interact to stretch and challenge children further.

New themes are introduced to the children and they are encouraged to share what their current understanding of the theme is and what they would like to find out more about. It is also an opportunity for the children to consider ways in which they would like to go about their learning suggesting activity ideas and possible lines of enquiry.

We plan a balance between children having time and space to engage in their own child-initiated activities and those that are adult led across both the indoor and outdoor provision. We also use 'in the moment' planning, where practitioners can respond to the children's imagination. Children have whole group times and times for a daily session including a phonics session using 'Little Wandle', teaching aspects of Mathematics and Literacy and shared reading and writing.

Playing and exploring

Realise that their actions have an effect on the world, so they want to keep repeating them.

Plan and think ahead about how they will explore or play with objects.

Guide their own thinking and actions by referring to visual aids or by talking to themselves while playing. For example, a child doing a jigsaw might whisper under their breath: "Where does that one go? – I need to find the big horse next."

Make independent choices.

Bring their own interests and fascinations into early years settings. This helps them to develop their learning.

Respond to new experiences that you bring to their attention.

Characteristics of effective teaching and learning: On-going

Active learning

Participate in routines, such as going to their cot or mat when they want to sleep. Begin to predict sequences because they know routines. For example, they may anticipate lunch when they see the table being set, or get their coat when the door to the outdoor area opens.

Show goal-directed behaviour. For example, babies may pull themselves up by using the edges of a low table to reach for a toy on top of the table. Toddlers might turn a storage box upside down so they can stand on it and reach up for an object.

Begin to correct their mistakes themselves. For example, instead of using increasing force to push a puzzle piece into the slot, they try another piece to see if it will fit.

Keep on trying when things are difficult.

Creating and thinking critically

Take part in simple pretend play. For example, they might use an object like a brush to pretend to brush their hair, or 'drink' from a pretend cup. Sort materials. For example, at tidy-up time, children know how to put different construction materials in separate baskets.

Review their progress as they try to achieve a goal. Check how well they are doing. Solve real problems: for example, to share nine strawberries between three friends, they might put one in front of each, then a second, and finally a third. Finally, they might check at the end that everyone has the same number of strawberries.

Use pretend play to think beyond the 'here and now' and to understand another perspective. For example, a child role-playing the billy goats gruff might suggest that "Maybe the troll is lonely and hungry? That's why he is fierce."

Know more, so feel confident about coming up with their own ideas. Make more links between those ideas

Concentrate on achieving something that's important to them. They are increasingly able to control their attention and ignore distractions.

Early Years Long Term Curriculum Mapping:

EYFS Theme Cycle A	We love the weather! Question: Can we have a pet penguin at North Clifton?	Superheroes/People who help us Question: Are Superheroes real people?	Where do we live? Question: Do all children around the world live the same life?
EYFS Theme Cycle B	All About Me/ Emergency! Emergency! Enquiry: Learn about who I am!	5, 4, 3, 2, 1, Take off to Space! Question: Can we fly to the moon?	We're all going on a summer holiday! Question: How will we get to the Seaside?
Cultural Capital/Enrichment opportunities	Golden assemblies performance Community Stay and Play singing Home Corner-Harvest time Igloo role play area (Cycle A) Fire Station role play area (Cycle B) Fire Engine Visit (Cycle B) Tour of Church Christenings and new beginnings Making Soup and Bread for Harvest Home corner Bonfire Night Trip to the post box experience. Christmas and Diwali cookery activities Nativity performance at the Church Gardening-Secret Garden Community celebrations Pantomime visit Library loans Grandparent's day lunch British Values	Golden assemblies performance Community Stay and Play singing Home corner- Chinese kitchen Hospital role play area (Cycle A) Space themed role play (Cycle B) Chinese New Year celebration / cookery Pancake Day —Cooking Easter activities: Easter egg hunt Baking Easter Treats World Book Day Den making Gardening — Secret Garden Community celebrations Mother's Day Lunch British Values	Golden assemblies performance Community Stay and Play singing Home corner Travel themed role play area (Cycle A) Seaside Café role play (Cycle B) Visit to The Deep (Cycle B) Invite new-born baby into Class Bring your teddy Bear to School Day-Teddy Bear's Picnic Baking Gardening- Secret Garden Live Butterfly experience Community celebrations- Arts festival Father's Day lunch British Values
Protected Characteristics Story Spine:	That's not my Name We are Neighbours	You Choose Blue Chameleon	Elmer The Odd Egg

Phonics and early reading: At North Clifton Primary School, we believe that all our children can become fluent readers and writers. This is why we teach reading through Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised, which is a systematic and synthetic phonics programme. We start teaching phonics in Nursery and Reception and follow the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised progression, which ensures children build on their growing knowledge of the alphabetic code, mastering phonics to read and spell as they move through school. (For further information, please see our Phonics and Early Reading Policy)

Phonics	Autumn 1:	Autumn 2:	Spring1:	Spring 2:	Summer 1:	Summer 2: RECEPTION
Nursery						READINESS
						· ·
Nursery: Little Wandle	No sounds in Autumn 1	s, a, t, p, i, m, n	d, g, o, c, k, e	u, r, h, b, f, l	J, v, w, y, z, q, c	n, f, s, t, r, p
Foundations for Phonics	Focus on Rhyme time					
Direct teach to F1 children	and settling children	What's in the Box?	What's in the Box?	What's in the Box?	What's in the Box?	What's in the Box?
3-4 intakes are September,	into routines.	Rhyme Time	Rhyme Time	Rhyme Time	Rhyme Time	Rhyme Time
January and April.						
Children						
from each intake						
will begin building on						
skills from the first strand.						
Little Wandle Rhyme Time	Ring A Ring A Roses		Humpty Dumpty Sat on	a Wall	Baa Ba Black Sheep	•
Cycle A	Round and Round the Ga	rden	Miss Molly had a Dolly		Incy Wincy Spider	
Direct teach to F1 children	One Two Buckle my Shoe	!	Jack and Jill		Mary Mary Quite Contrary	
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Little Wandle Rhyme Time	The Grand Old Duke of Yo	nrk	Twinkle Twinkle Little St	tar	A Sailor Went to Sea, Se	a Sea
Cycle B	Hickory Dickory Dock		Hey Diddle Diddle			, 300
Direct teach to F1 children	Wind the Bobbin Up		Pat-a-Cake, Pat-a-Cake		The Wheels on the Bus Down at the Station	
Direct teach to 11 children	Willia the Bobbin op		rat a cake, rat a-cake		Once I Caught a Fish Ali	10
					Row, Row, Row Your Bo	
					Now, Now, Now Your Bo	odi.

Phonics: Reception	Reception	on Autumn 1		
		Phase 2 graphemes	New tricky words	
	Week 1	satp .		
	Week 2	inmd		
	Week 3	gock	is	
	_	ck e u r	I	
	Week 5	hbfl	the	
	Recepti	on Autumn 2		
		Phase 2 graphemes	New tricky words	
	Week 1	∰ U ss j	put* pull* full* as	
	Week 2	v w x y	and has his her	
		z zz qu words with s /s/ added at the end (hats sits) ch	go no to into	
	Week 4	sh th ng nk	she push* he of	
	Week 5	 words with s /s/ added at the end (hats sits) words ending s /z/ (his) and with s /z/ added at the end (bags) 	we me be	
	*The tricky treated as s	words: 'put', 'pull', 'full' and 'push' may not be tricky in some regional pronunciations; in whic uch.	h case, they should not be	
	Recept	ion Spring 1		
		Phase 3 graphemes	New tricky words	
	Week 1	ai ee igh oa		
	Week 2	00 00 ar or	was you they	
	Week 3	ur ow oi ear	my by all	
	Week 4	air er words with double letters: dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff	are sure pure	
	Week 5	longer words		

Reception Spring 2

	Phase 3 graphemes	No new tricky words
Week 1	review Phase 3: ai ee igh oa oo ar or ur oo ow oi ear	Review all taught so far
Week 2	review Phase 3: er air words with double letters longer words	Secure spelling
Week 3	words with two or more digraphs	
Week 4	longer words words ending in —ing compound words	
Week 5	longer words words with s in the middle /z/ s words ending –s words with –es at end /z/	

Reception Summer 1

	Phase 4	New tricky words
Week 1	short vowels CVCC	said so have like
Week 2	short vowels CVCC CCVC	some come love do
Week 3	short vowels CCVCC CCCVC CCCVCC longer words	were here little says
Week 4	longer words compound words	there when what one
Week 5	root words ending in: —ing, —ed /t/, —ed /id/ /ed/ —est	out today

Reception S	Summer 2	
Pha	ase 4 graphemes	No new tricky words
Week 1 long	g vowel sounds CVCC CCVC	Review all taught so far
Week 2 long	g vowel sounds CCVC CCCVC CCV CCVCC	Secure spelling
Phas Phas	ise 4 words ending -s /s/ ise 4 words ending -s /z/ ise 4 words ending -es ger words	
	t word ending in: g, -ed /t/, -ed /id/ /ed/, -ed /d/	
-s /s	se 4 words ending in: s/, –s /z/, –es ger words	

Prime Areas

Communication and	We provide a rich balanc	e of child-led and adult-le	d experiences for all childr	en that meet the curriculu	m expectations for 'Comm	unication and Language'
Language	and 'Literacy'. These incl	ude				
	-high quality back and fo	rth interactions				
	-daily group discussions					
	-whole class sharing					
	-sharing high-quality stor	ies and poems				
	-learning a range of nurs	ery rhymes and action rhy	mes and singing			
	-activities that develop for	ocused listening and atten	tion, including oral blendir	ng		
	-attention to high-quality	/ language				
	-Speech and language int	terventions				
	-EYFS Performances					
Communication and	Autumn 1:	Autumn 2:	Spring 1:	Spring 2:	Summer 1:	Summer 2:
Language: Nursery						Reception readiness
	Daily story time	Daily story time	Daily story time	Daily story time	Daily story time	Daily story time
	Songs	Songs	Songs	Songs	Songs	Songs
	Rhymes	Rhymes	Rhymes	Rhymes	Rhymes	Rhymes
	Small World	Small World	Small World	Small World	Small World	Small World
	Role Play	Role Play	Role Play	Role Play	Role Play	Role Play
	<u>Listening and attention</u>	Listening and attention	<u>Listening and attention</u>	<u>Listening and attention</u>	<u>Listening and attention</u>	<u>Listening</u> and attention
	Sitting on the carpet	Respond to simple	Follow one step		Enjoy longer stories	Begin answering
	and listening to peers	questions with	instructions.		and can remember	simple 'why' questions

	and adults- beginning to pay attention. Choosing familiar stories, they enjoy. Listen to songs. Compare sounds playing lotto games, making shakes and hiding/replacing instruments Raise children's awareness of sounds around them using different items and instruments Speaking Speaking in short sentences stringing more than two words together, with some possible problems with irregular tenses. Sharing names with peers and adults.	adequate processing time. Respond appropriately when sat on the carpet. Show an understanding of action words and joins in when listening to songs. Responding to familiar Instructions. Compare and match sounds Playing instruments alongside stories and rhymes Speaking Show an awareness of new vocabulary during carpet time. Sing songs and action rhymes related to a	Attempts to join in with songs, remembering key words. Speaking Begin to use irregular tenses and plurals when exploring stories Use longer sentences of at least four words. Express unique thoughts and feelings. Start a conversation with an adult or friend. Develop experiences of rhythm and rhyme in speech and through stories, songs and rhymes Play rhyming bingo Clap out syllables	Able to follow longer stories with interest and concentration. Able to follow rhymes and join in. Begin matching objects which begin with the same sound Speaking Introduce conjunctions in speech such as because, or, and Show an awareness of future and past tense in speech Responding to nonverbal signals Play I Spy games	much of what has happened. Builds upon knowledge of rhymes. Selecting items related to voice sounds Speaking Ask questions about newly acquired Information. Show curiosity about new characters and plots in stories Recall limited Information. Use longer sentences of at least 6 words Develop awareness of voice sounds using oral blending and segmenting in appropriate stories	Show an ability to shift attention to new stimuli by using names. Understanding multi-instruction sentences. Able to sing a repertoire of songs. Knows many rhymes. Speaking Use a wider range of vocabulary Making simple predictions about what might happen next Able to recall the story line of a familiar book Uses talk to organise their play. Be able to express a point of view. Use a sentence of 4-6 words
Communication and Language: Reception	Autumn 1:	rhymes related to a theme or topic Autumn 2:	Spring 1:	Spring 2:	Summer 1:	Summer 2: Y1 Readiness
	Daily story time Songs Rhymes Small World Role Play	Daily story time Songs Rhymes Small World Role Play	Daily story time Songs Rhymes Small World Role Play	Daily story time Songs Rhymes Small World Role Play	Daily story time Songs Rhymes, Poems Small World Role Play	Daily story time Songs Rhymes, Poems Small World Role Play

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Listening and atte	ention Listening and attention	<u>Listening and attention</u>	<u>Listening and attention</u>	<u>Listening and attention</u>	<u>Listening and attention</u>
Show good sitting	g and Listen to rhymes and	Listen to rhymes and	Listen to and talk	Listen to and talk	Listen to and talk
listening, knowing	g that stories and build	songs, paying	about a range of	about a range of	about a range of
listening is impor	tant. familiarity.	attention to how they	fiction and non-fiction	fiction and non-fiction	fiction and non-fiction
rhymes and storio	es.	sound.	books, developing new	books, developing new	books, developing new
Listen carefully to		Engage in non-fiction	knowledge and	knowledge and	knowledge and
rhymes and song	s <u>Speaking</u>	books.	vocabulary.	vocabulary.	vocabulary.
	Retain and				
<u>Speaking</u>	demonstrate new	Speaking	Speaking	Speaking	Speaking
Talk about stories	s, vocabulary in play	Articulate ideas and	Begin to retell stories,	Ask questions to find	Use new vocabulary in
using vocabulary	from activities	thoughts well in well-	once they have	out more about what	different contexts.
the text.		formed sentences.	developed familiarity	is being said to them,	
Learn new vocab	ulary. Use language and	Begin to use	with a text.	checking their	Participate in group or
	images to recreate	connectives in		understanding.	class discussions.
Learn rhymes, po	ems role play	sentences.	Learn rhymes, poems		
and songs.			and songs.	Describe events in	Express ideas using full
	Communicate needs,	Learn rhymes, poems		detail.	sentences
	news, feelings, ideas	and songs.	Ask questions		
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			Begin to link		
	Learn rhymes, poems		statements		
	and songs.				
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Personal, Social and Emotional	At North Clifton Primary	t North Clifton Primary we use the SCARF program, which builds our children's knowledge of Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship. The						
Development	SCARF Early Years progr	SCARF Early Years program is designed to support the functional growth of young children. It focuses on fostering self-awareness, managing emotions,						
Nursey and Reception	building social skills, and developing positive relationships. By engaging in interactive activities, stories, and play, children can explore their feelings, learn to cooperate with peers, and gain confidence in social settings, developing their emotional resilience and social competence, laying the groundwork for							
	lifelong personal and social success.							
	Safeguarding in the cur	riculum: At North Clifton	Primary we use the NSPCO	PANTs activities, books	and songs to help children u	nderstand that their body		
	belongs to them, and th	ney should tell a safe adul	It they trust if anything ma	ces them feel upset or wo	orried. Information is sent to	parents prior to these		
	lessons, with options to view the resources.							
	Health and well-being		Relationships		Living in the Wider World			
	SCARF: Me and my	SCARF: Valuing	SCARF: Keeping safe	SCARF: Rights and	SCARF: Being my Best	SCARF: Growing and		
	relationships	difference	What's safe to go on	respect	Bouncing back when	changing		
	All about me	I'm special, you're	my body?	Looking after my	things go wrong	Seasons		
		special		special people	Yes! I can			

What makes me special? Me and my special	Same and different Same and different families	Keeping myself safe (including medicines) Safe indoors and	Looking after my friends Being helpful at home	Healthy eating My healthy mind Move your body	Life stages- plants, animals, humans Where do babies come
people	Same and different	outdoors	and caring for our	A good night's sleep	from
Who can help me?	homes	Listening to my feelings	classroom		Getting bigger
My feelings	I am caring I am a friend	Keeping safe on line People who help to	Caring for our world Looking after money	Financial Capability Spending habits and	Me and my body- girls and boys
Personal Hygiene e-		keep me safe	,	budgets	,
Bug resources-	Anti-Bullying Week		Keeping Healthy		Keeping ourselves safe
-Horrid Hands		NSPCC PANTs	Oral Hygiene	Circle Times	Water safety
-Super sneezes	Keeping ourselves				
	safe Bonfire Night Safety	E- safety	Circle Times		Circle Times
Circle Times		Circle Times			
	Circle Times				

Physical Development:	Before teaching children correct pencil grips and posture for writing, staff will check that children have developed their upper arm and shoulder strength							
Fine Motor Skills	sufficiently that they can	rotate their lower arms and	d wrists independently.					
	(Development Matters guidance)							
	Finger Gym	Finger Gym	Finger Gym	Finger Gym	Finger Gym	Finger Gym		
	Dough Disco	Dough Disco	Dough Disco	Dough Disco	Dough Disco	Dough Disco		
	OT Closet	OT Closet	OT Closet	OT Closet	Threading activities,	OT Closet		
	Paper tearing.	Using string, pipe cleaners, elastic bands	Using tongs/ chopsticks with different items in	Sticky flakes- potato flakes in tuff tray, add	hole punches, ribbons.	Moulding with clay to make under		
	Malleable materials - making bread	to join sticks to make characters.	messy tray.	glitter, foil, water,	Sensory tuff	water shells and fossils.		
	Copying bread shapes using playdough. Practicing different	Manipulate malleable materials making	Scissor skills- cutting paper to make lanterns for CNY.	Small world activities- linked to Cycle's text	Tray activities, using tweezers, squeezy tweezers, handy	Playdough jungle, lollipop sticks, stones, animal habitats,		
	fastening when dressing up in disguise	diva lamps and salt dough	Folding paper to make	A range of puzzles	scoopers.	feathers.		
	Holding paint brush	Christmas shapes.	fans, dragons, fish for CNY.	Using peg boards	Small world activities linked to Cycle's text	Wrapping up parcels for the Three Little Pigs		

Small wo linked to	towers- Duplo Threading pasta a tissue to make Div Garlands. Cycle's text Small world activilinked to Cycle's to f puzzles A range of puzzles	vegetables CNY cooking ities- Easter playdough challenge, making and decorating eggs,	Sand/water activities Writing shed activities	A range of puzzles Sand/water activities Writing shed activities Programmable toys (Beebots)	Gluing lolly sticks to build the Three Little Pigs House Building – Three Little Pigs House- Lego Small world activities-
		tools + materials, scissors, rollers, sequins etc. Manipulate playdough to Easter Bunny and Easter Eggs threading Activity.			linked to Cycle's text A range of puzzles
Autumn		Small world activities- linked to Cycle's text Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
pronate	nonstrate digital grip Pencil movements come from wrist.	from wrist.	Grip	Nursery Beginning to form letters in own name.	Nursery Beginning to form an increasing number of letters
and circu	people.	simple circles and squares Develop control when	Pencil movements begin to come from the fingers		Write all of my first name
	Make marks to represent my nam	making marks on paper	Attempts to form the shape of letters Copy some of the letters in my name		
dynamic sitting pe	by to develop tripod gripencil between ndex finger and Beginning to develop dynamic tripod gr sitting pencil betw thumb, index finger	rip- naturally using dynamic veen tripod grip.	Reception Beginning to sit writing on the line and forming letters in the correct direction, using	Reception Able to sit writing on the line and forming letters in the correct direction, using ascenders and descenders	Y1 readiness Form letters correctly. Copy a square. Begin to draw diagonal lines , like in a triangle.

Pencil movement comes from finger tips	Teach and model correct letter formation	on the floor, chair tucked in. Begin to form letters correctly	descenders. Most letters correctly formed.	Uses one hand consistently for fine motor skills. Cut along a straight line with scissors. Start to cut along a curved line like a circle.	Start to colour inside the lines of a picture. Draw pictures that are recognisable.
Pencil Grip development: Palmer grip Typically seen in age 1-1.5		onate Grip seen in age 2-3 years	Static Tripod Grip (Quadropod Grasp if ac		amic Tripod Grip cally seen in age 4-5 Years:
palmar	di	gital pronate	Typically seen in age 3-	4 Years:	

Gross Motor Skills

EYFS framework: Activities to

develop:

Core strength

Stability

Balance

Spatial awareness

Co-ordination

Agility

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Outdoors: Opportunities to feel, move, balance

Wheeled resources- scooter, tricycles, bikes, prams, carts

Indoor- regular access to floor space for indoor movement activities, with opportunities to practice movements alone and with others.

Obstacle courses

Speed and direction activities

Secret garden- gardening

Nursery will be learning to:

- Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and ball skills.
- Go up steps and stairs, or climb up apparatus, using alternate feet.
- Skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues.
- Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks.
- Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams.

Reception will be learning to:

 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 the overall body strength, coordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming.

Adventurous climbing and swinging

Fixed climbing equipment

Natural features in the school grounds

Trim trail

Join in with dancing, music and rhythm

Playing with blocks

Playground activities

Throwing and catching different size balls

Activities to bat, pat and hit a ball

Outdoor stage activities

Outdoor blackboard- water painting, chalk activities

Action songs

Large motor activities e.g. waving flags, streamers

Water tray activities- fishing with a net

Large scale water play

Piping, large tubes and connective materials

Sweeping brushes and large rollers

Activities to bat, pat and hit a ball

- Increasingly be able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm
- Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting.
 For example, they decide whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank, depending on its length and width.
- Choose the right resources to carry out their own plan. For example, choosing a spade to enlarge a small hole they dug with a trowel.
- Collaborate with others to manage large items, such as moving a long plank safely, carrying large hollow blocks.
- Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors.
- Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.
- Start eating independently and learning how to use a knife and fork.
- Show a preference for a dominant hand
- Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example, putting coats on and doing up zips.
- Be increasingly independent in meeting their own care needs, e.g. brushing teeth, using the toilet, washing and drying their hands thoroughly.
- Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and tooth brushing

- Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently.
 Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons.
- Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor.
- Combine different movements with ease and fluency.
- Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group.
- Develop overall body-strength, balance, co-ordination and agility
- Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming.
- Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball.
- Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.
- Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing:
 - regular physical activity
 - healthy eating
 - tooth brushing
 - sensible amounts of 'screen time'
 - having a good sleep routine
 - being a safe pedestrian
- Further develop the skills they need to manage the school day successfully: lining up and queuing - mealtimes personal hygiene

Specific Areas

Literacy	Comprehension- Developing a passion for rea	ding	
	-We choose texts that reflect the children's sta	rting points and their development of Tier 1 and	Tier 2 Vocabulary, building their cultural capital.
	-Provide children with a rich language environr	ment (implicit approaches) as well as directly exte	ending children's vocabulary (explicit approaches);
	Incorporating carefully select high-frequency v	vords for explicit teaching matched to the needs	of the children;
	- We ensure provide multiple opportunities to	hear and use new vocabulary (EEF Guidance), de	veloping the number of words children know
	(breadth) and their understanding of relations	hips between words and the contexts in which w	ords can be used (depth);
	-Children will also be exposed to our Reading S	pine books, fiction and non-fiction books on a da	ily basis.
	Cycle A: The Three Billy Goats Gruff	Cycle A: Little Red Riding Hood	Cycle A: The Three Little Pigs
Potential Texts (n.b. these will be cohort	Lost and Found- Oliver Jeffers	Where the Wild Things Are- Maurice Sendack	Rosie's walk- Pat Hutchins
specific)	Meet the Weather- Caryl Hart	The Proudest Blue -Ibtihaj Mumammad	Pigs Might Fly- Jonathon Emmett
	Penguins- National Geographic	Everybody Counts- Kristin Roskifte	I Wanna Iguana- Karen Kaufman Orloff
	Bear Shaped- Dawn Coulter	Elmer	Hairy McClary-Julia Donaldson
	Cycle B: The Gingerbread Man	Cycle B: Goldilocks and the Three Bears	The Hungry Caterpillar- Eric Carle.
	Fireman Small- Wong Herbert Yee	Back to earth with a bump	
	Owl Babies-Martin Waddell	Stardust -Jeanne Willis	Cycle B: Jack and the Beanstalk
	The Snail and the Whale- Julia Donaldson	How to catch a Star - Oliver Jeffers	Rainbow Fish - Marcus Pfister
	We're Going on a Bear Hunt- Michael Rosen	Aliens Love Underpants - Claire Freedman	If Sharks Disappear – Lily Williams
	Poppies- CBeebies	Space Tortoise- Ross Montgomery	The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch
	All Aboard the London Bus-Patricia Toht		Night Pirates-Peter Harris
	The Tiger who Came to Tea;	A selection of non-fiction books, rhymes and	Jack and the jellybean Stalk -Rachael Mortimer
	A selection of non-fiction books, rhymes and	poems	Bugs- Yuval Zomme
	poems		A selection of non-fiction books, rhymes and
			poems

Writing: Nursery	Throughout the year, N	ا Jursery will take part in	ore-writing activities (gro	oss and fine motor contro	ol), in our provision areas.	
	They will also access D	ough Disco, Finger Gym	and OT Closet, Drawing	Club		
Writing: Reception	Creative opportunities	are planned for daily wr	iting in continuous provi	sion activities, indoors a	nd outdoors as well as guided	group writing
	activities.					
	Letter formation is pra	cticed using Little Wand	le activities			
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Purpose: To tell and	Purpose: To tell and	Purpose: To tell and	Purpose: To tell and	Purpose: To tell and	Purpose: To tell and
	write a story	write a story	write a story	write a story	write a friendship story	write a traditional
						tale
				Poems		

Recou	nt- All about Information-	A Information-		Instructions- leaflet -how	Character description
pengu	ins poster	instructions	Begin to write simple	to grow a plant	
			sentences.		Using familiar texts as
Name	writing Name writing	Drawing Club	'Say, hold and write	Writing simple sentences.	a model for writing
			a sentence'.	'Say, hold and write a	own stories.
Drawin	ng Club Drawing Club	Grammar: Word	Creating own story	sentence'.	
Gramm	mar: Word Begin to write	e lists & Include tricky words:	maps, writing	Writing for a purpose in	Write a character
Includ	e tricky words: captions, focu	using :	captions	role play using	description.
is, I, th	onlabel, ca	ption, Was, you, they, my,	and labels, writing	phonetically plausible	Drawing Club
	space.	by, all, are, sure,	simple sentences in	attempts at words,	
Gramm	mar: Sentence	pure	provision areas	beginning to use finger	Write three
Combi	ne words to Grammar: We	ord		spaces.	sentences with
make I			Drawing Club		beginning,
•	ns, lists, put, pull full, a			Use any new vocabulary	middle and end.
phrase	es and short has, his, her, §		Grammar: Word	through the	Using correct letter
senter	, , , ,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Include tricky words	day, in different contexts.	formation.
	nding on of, we, me, be		Include all words so		
	ppmental	sentences. Joining	far	Drawing Club	Grammar: Word
stage)	Grammar: Se	9			Include tricky words
	Build on previ		Grammar: Sentence	Write 2 sentences.	Include all words so
	mar: Text units focusing		Combine words to	Ensuring mostly correct	far
	nce spoken Combine wor		make labels,	letter formation.	
	nces to form make labels,	Grammar: Text	captions, lists,		Grammar: Sentence
	narratives captions, lists	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	phrases and short	Grammar: Word	Combine words to
orally.	-		sentences. Joining	Include tricky words:	make labels, captions,
	sentences	narratives.	words using 'and,	Said, so, have, like. Some.	lists, phrases and
Gramr	(·	joining clauses using	Come, love, do, were,	short sentences.
Puncti			'and'	here, little, says, there,	Joining words using
	formation stage)	ran and she ran.		when, one, out, today	'and, joining clauses
•	ation of words	Begin to use time	Grammar: Text		using 'and'
with sp		0 ,	Sequence sentences	Grammar: Sentence	Grammar: Text
	Build on previ		to form short	Combine words to make	Sequence sentences
	units and focu	,,	narratives.	labels, captions, lists,	to form short
	Sequence spo		Use repeated story	phrases and short	narratives.
	sentences to		language e.g. She	sentences. Joining words	Use repeated story
	short narrativ		ran and she ran.	using 'and, joining clauses	language e.g. She ran
	orally.	Letter formation	Begin to use time	using 'and'	and she ran.
	0	Separation of words	adverbials e.g. First,	Cuamman Taut	Begin to use time
	Grammar:	with spaces	Then, next, Finally,	Grammar: Text	adverbials e.g. First,
	Punctuation	Personal pronoun-'l'	Eventually, Suddenly		

Se	Letter formation Separation of words with spaces Personal pronoun-'I'	Full stops	Grammar: Punctuation Letter formation Separation of words with spaces Personal pronoun-'1' Full stops	Sequence sentences to form short narratives. Use repeated story language e.g. She ran and she ran. Begin to use time adverbials e.g. First, Then, next, Finally, Eventually, Suddenly Grammar: Punctuation Letter formation Separation of words with spaces Personal pronoun-'I' Full stops Capital letters for names	Then, next, Finally, Eventually, Suddenly Grammar: Punctuation Letter formation Separation of words with spaces Personal pronoun-'1' Full stops
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Maths			ymes, with lots of opportunities for mathema hite Rose Maths as a resource to support our	
Nursery	Autumn term	Spring term	Summer term	Links to Reception
	Comparison-more than, fewer than,	Join in with repeats	Making patterns together	Curriculum
	the same	Explore position and space	Make games and actions	-Subitising
	Shape Space and measure	Subitising – show me 1, 2, 3	Subitising- talk about dots	-Counting
	Pattern-explore and build shapes with	Move and label 1, 2, 3	Compare and sort collections	-Shape
	objects	Explore position and routes	Lead on own repeats	-Space and measure
	Pattern- explore repeats	Explore own first patterns	Start to puzzle	
	Counting- Hear and say number names	Take and give 1, 2, 3	Counting- show me 5	
	1-5	Shape- match, talk, push and pull	patterns- make own pattern	
	Begin to order some number names		Counting 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	
	Subitising 1, 2, 3		Match, sort and compare	
	Children in Nursery will be learning to:			
	 Develop fast recognition of up 	to 3 objects, without having to count the	nem individually ('subitising').	
	 Recite numbers past 5. 			
	 Say one number for each item 	in order: 1,2,3,4,5.		
	 Show that the last number rea 	ached when counting a small set of obje	cts tells you how many there are in total	
	('cardinal principle').			

	Show 'finger numbers' up to 5			
	 ink numerals and amounts: for 	r example, showing the right number of o	bjects to match the numeral, up to 5.	
	 Experiment with their own syr 	mbols and marks as well as numerals.		
	 Solve real world mathematical 	l problems with numbers up to 5.		
	 Compare quantities using lang 	guage: 'more than', 'fewer than'		
	 Talk about and explore 2D and 	d 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectang	les, triangles and cuboids) using informal	
	and mathematical language: 's	sides', 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'		
	 Understand position through v 	words alone – for example,		
	 The bag is under the table," – 	with no pointing.		
	 Describe a familiar route. 			
	 Discuss routes and locations, u 	using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'		
	 Make comparisons between o 	bjects relating to size, length, weight and	capacity.	
	 Select shapes appropriately: fl 	at surfaces for building, a triangular prisr	n for a roof etc.	
	 Combine shapes to make new 	ones - an arch, a bigger triangle etc.		
		tterns around them. For example: stripes	on clothes, designs on rugs and	
		age like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs' etc.		
	 Extend and create ABAB patte 			
	Notice and correct an error in			
	Begin to describe a sequence of	of events, real or fictional, using words su	ıch as 'first', 'then'	
Reception	Autumn term	Spring term	Summer term	Links to Y1
	Match, sort and compare	Alive in 5	To 20 and beyond	Curriculum
	Talk about measure and patterns	Mass and Capacity	How many now?	-Place Value
	It's me 1, 2, 3	Growing 6, 7, 8	Manipulate, compose and decompose	-Addition and
	Circles and triangles	Length, height and time	Sharing and grouping	subtraction
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Shapes with 4 sides	Building 9 and 10 Explore 3D shapes	Visualise, build and map Make connections	-Length and height -Mass and volume
	Shapes with 4 sides	Explore 3D shapes	Wake connections	-Multiplication and
	Children in Reception will be learning to	·		division
	Count objects, actions and sou			-Time
	Subitise			
		eral) with its cardinal number value.		
	Count beyond ten.	,		
	Compare numbers.			
	Understand the 'one more that	an/one less than' relationship between co	onsecutive numbers.	
	Explore the composition of nu			
		ands for numbers 0-10		
	 Automatically recall number b 			
	Select, rotate and manipulate	shapes in order to develop spatial reason		
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	 Select, rotate and manipulate Compose and decompose shall numbers can. 	shapes in order to develop spatial reason	n have other shapes within it, just as	

Religious Education:	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Links to Y1
Nottinghamshire Agreed Syllabus	Harvest	Christmas	Stories Jesus	Easter	Friendship	Special Places	Curriculum
	I am Special	Diwali	Heard	Stories Jesus Told			-What makes
							people inspiring
							to others?
							-Christian
							stories

Understanding the World:	Autumn 1 Past and Present Talk about people in our families and special times Begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history in terms of their family dynamics linked to All About Me. Grandparent, older, younger etc. Begin to comment on images of familiar situations in the past, when mum	Autumn 2 Past and Present Remember past Christmas', how did we celebrate? Begin to understand that some places are special to members of their community Talk about special places they go with their family places of worship visited by children	Spring 1 Past and Present What did nurses/fire people wear, in the past? What did children at North Clifton wear in the past? (see school photographs- History displays)	Spring 2 Past and Present Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.	Summer 1 Past and Present What did transport look like in the past? How would we get to the seaside? What vehicles would we see in North Clifton in the past?	Summer 2 Past and Present Explore seaside's in the past and develop associated vocabulary Explore our school in the past- what did the buildings look like?	Links to Y1 Curriculum -Nurses and significant people -Food and farming -Our community overtime
		People, Cultures	People, Cultures	People, Cultures	People, Cultures	People, Cultures	Links to Y1 Curriculum

Community Black History Month- October Exploring bread and fruit from different cultures Understanding harvest Describing ourselves and naming body parts Different types of families- can draw similarities and make comparisons between families	Community Begin to recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times (see below) Develop a knowledge and awareness of other festivals Bonfire Night, Christmas Diwali Hanukkah	Community Making and tasting different flavours of porridge Chinese New Year Celebration Martin Luther King Day Occupations: Show an interest in different occupations- Occupations dressing up box	Community Easter and our family traditions Exploring different cultures and traditions Share different cultural versions of famous fairy tales Occupations: Understanding different ways of life, how astronauts brush their teeth, wash their hair, where they sleep etc.	Community St George's Day VE Day Explore the celebration of Eid Ramadan Encourage children to make comparisons between themselves sand other children and families	Community Father's Day Muharram Recognise some environments that are different to the ones they live in. Know that there are similarities and differences in this country and life in other countries. Draw information on a map of our school.	Significant people Understanding of Diversity, Inclusion, Equality and Belonging (DIEB) Understanding of different occupations
Natural World Exploring Autumn Autumn Walk Day and night- time Animals Secret garden	Natural World Light and Dark – day and night Autumn Gardening Day Explore the seasons collect autumn leaves and seeds Explore the changes in the seasons as we move into winter Secret garden	Natural World Exploring Spring Understand the effect of the changing seasons Secret garden	Natural World Looking for signs of Spring outside New Life- animals Secret garden Understanding how things move- push and pull, floating and sinking (water play) Earth in Space	Natural World Exploring summer/ investigating shadows Understanding growth and change Living eggs Caterpillar lifecycle Planting seeds + understanding of how to grow a plant Sorting parts of a flower, stem/petal/	Natural World Talking about our pets and how to look after them Exploring sea animals Minibeast hunt Making a wormery Explore natural and found objects, sticks, twigs, straw and stones/pebbles	Links to Y1 Curriculum Science: -Seasons -Materials -Plants -Forces and space -Animals (including humans) -Habitats

			leaves pots Describe what they see, feel and hear Secret garden	Explore the lifecycles of animals Secret garden
Nursery will be learning: Use all their senses in hands or natural materials. Explore collections of materials and/or different properties. Talk about what they see, using vocabulary. Begin to make sense of their or family's history. Show interest in different occur Explore how things work. Plant seeds and care for growing. Understand the key features or plant and an animal. Begin to understand the needs for the natural environment are Explore and talk about different feel. Talk about the differences between head of the seed of the seed of the natural environment are seed. Know that there are differences between people. Know that there are differences world and talk about the differences world	s with similar g a wide wn life-story and pations. Ing plants. If the life cycle of a to respect and care and all living things at forces they can ween materials and ttitudes about the	and comm Name and them. Comment past. Compare including Understal members Recognise celebrate Recognise between countries. Explore the outside. Recognise to the one Understal natural w	t members of their in nunity. I describe people what on images of familia and contrast character figures from the past and that some places a of their community that people have differ special times in different er some similarities an life in this country an	o are familiar to r situations in the ers from stories, are special to fferent beliefs and rent ways. d differences d life in other and them. and feel whilst t that are different ging seasons on the

Playing and Exploring	opportunities, both indoutlined by the EYFS, we termly theme. Play is essential for chesolve problems. Childre Framework October 2 Schematic Play Schematic play happen world around them and child and some childre Our planning ensures to Transporting Enveloping Containing Trajectory Rotation Connection Positioning Transforming Nursery will be learning Take part in object to rese	Play is essential for children's development, building their confidence as they learn to explore, relate to others, set their own goals, and solve problems. Children learn by leading their own play, and by taking part in play and learning that is guided by adults. (EYFS Statutory Framework October 2024) Schematic Play Schematic play happens when babies, toddlers and young children are involved in repeated actions or certain behaviours as they explore the world around them and try to find out how things work. We call these specific actions or behaviours 'Schemas'. They can vary from child to child and some children may never display schematic play or behaviours. Our planning ensures there are opportunities for children to explore the different Schemas: • Transporting • Enveloping • Containing • Trajectory • Rotation • Connection • Positioning • Transforming Nursery will be learning to: Reception will be learning to: Links to Y1 Curriculum						to Y1 Curriculum	
	Begin to dev small world of dolls and dolls and magin worlds' with such as a city park	small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses etc. • Make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park Role Play Cycle A & B: See enrichment opportunities			 Play collaboratively Lead their own play Take turns Begin to make rules for games Make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park Role Play Cycle A & B: See enrichment opportunities above 			Literacy Continuous Provision	
Expressive Art and Design	Autumn 1 Being Imaginative and Expressive	Autumn 2 Being Imaginative and Expressive Autumn leaf pictures		maginative pressive	Spring 2 Being Imaginative and Expressive	Summer 1 Being Imaginati and Expressive Making scarecro		Summer 2 Being Imaginative and Expressive Sea life pictures	

po Usi pri col Spr Sha All Au Ma by rou bo	l about me self ortraits sing different inting shapes and clours coon families capes faces eating with aterials I about me poster utumn materials aking owl babies winding wool und different size ottles esigning randparents day rds	Painting, printing with pine cones Colour mixing Rangoli patterns with rice Creating with Materials Bonfire night collage Clay Divas Designing Christmas cards	Responding to CNY using dance and instruments Making animal masks of characters in the story Acting and taking on roles in CNY cafe Creating with Materials CNY crafts- making dragons and lanterns Explore different media and tools CNY banners	Easter art-baskets, chicks, eggs Mother's Day card Use our imaginations to act out familiar stories about journeys, story props, masks, rhymes, songs Small world space, toys and vehicles Designing own pancake with a variety of toppings Creating with Materials Kandinsky Space pictures Paper-mâché planets Making modes of aliens-construction Building space rockets, empty	Outdoor art Creating with Materials Observational drawing and pain of natural beauty our Secret Garde Comparing place: Google Earth-hor are they similar/different Creating with Materials Andy Goldsworth transient art- usin items from natur Design and create garden using natur objects	globes- can we identify land and sea? W Creating with Materials Making Pirate hats and accessories to enjoy in play Treasure chest collage
Nu	to develop the them and what Develop their which materia	 Explore, use and effects to express that to make. Ir own ideas and then decide rials to use to express them. It materials freely, in order Explore, use and effects to express the effects to express them. It materials and explore Explore, use and effects to express a			iety of artistic s and feelings. previous developing their ng ideas,	Drawing Collage Colours liked to the environment Artists inspired by flora and fauna Print making Textiles

	 Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a circle and including details. Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. Show different emotions in their drawings and paintings, e.g. happiness, sadness, fear Explore colour and colour mixing. Show different emotions in their drawings – happiness, sadness, fear etc. 		Puppet making Sculptures Geography- Where are we?
Listening/singing/music/ dancing	Nursery will be learning through: Nursery rhyme of the week (linked to Little Wandle) Acion songs Whole class singing (snack times) Enhanced maths provision linked to songs and counting rhymes Transition songs Dance activities Musical instruments treasure chest • Listen with increased attention to sounds. • Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings. • Remember and sing entire songs. • Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match'). • Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs. • Create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know. • Play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas	Reception will be learning through: Nursery rhyme of the week (linked to Little Wandle) Acion songs Whole class singing (snack times) Enhanced maths provision linked to songs and counting rhymes Transition songs Dance activities Musical instruments treasure chest • Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses. • Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses. • Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody • Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups	Links to Y1 Curriculum -Pulse and rhythm -Pitch and tempo -British songs -Songs and music from other cultures