

Curriculum Overview – Nursery 2023/2024

Area of Learning	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus Story	Dear Zoo	The Gingerbread Man	We're Going on a Bear Hunt	Runaway Train	The Tiny Seed	The Hungry Caterpillar
Related Key Texts	Giraffes Can't Dance. Peep Inside the Zoo. Oh Dear! Twas the Day Before Zoo Day. Aloha Zoo. Find Spot at the Zoo. Look After Us. Rumble in the Jungle. That's Not My... You Can't Take an Elephant on a Bus.	The Gingerbread Pirates. The Gingerbread Cowboy. Little Red Riding Hood. Hansel and Gretel. The Gingerbread Girl. Charlie Cooks Favourite Book.	We're Going on a Lion Hunt. We're Going on a Treasure Hunt. Big Bear Little Bear. Peace at Last. The Gruffalo. Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See? Polar Bear, Polar Bear What Do You Gear? Goldilocks and the Three Bears.	Little Red Train Series. The Hundred Decker Bus. That's not my... What Happens Next? Room on the Broom. Spot's Train. My First Things that Go: Let's Get Moving. Mr Grumpy's Outing.	It Starts with a Seed. Sam Plants a Sunflower. One Little Seed. Where Does My Food Come From? Oliver's Vegetables. Jasper's Beanstalk. Ten Seeds, Titch.	Oliver's Fruit Salad. Handa's Surprise. Little Caterpillar. Mad About Minibeasts. Flip Flap Minibeasts. The Bad-Tempered Ladybird. The Very Busy Spider.
Related Themes	Animals	Cooking	The World Outside	Transport	Planting	Minibeasts
Celebrations and Important Events	Harvest Festival	Bonfire Night Remembrance Day Diwali Christmas	Chinese New Year Shrove Tuesday	World Book Day Mother's Day Red Nose Day Easter	Eid	Sports Day Father's Day MV Summer Faye
PSHE (JIGSAW)	Being Me	Celebrating Differences	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
Maths	Counting Songs. Identifying Colours. Matching Objects. Sorting into 2 or 3 groups.		Counting Songs. Recognising and Subitising 3, 4 and 5. Discuss Measure (Height/Length, Mass and Capacity)		Counting Songs. Sequencing. Positional Language. More/Fewer.	

	Recognising and Subitising 1 and 2. Completing AB Patterns. Identifying Mistakes in AB Patterns.				2D Shapes. Build on Numbers After 5. What Comes Before/After?	
Understanding the World	Who am I? Who is in my family?	Seasonal Changes – Autumn. Types of Weather. People Who Help Us.	New Year Traditions. Animal Habitats.	Season Changes – Spring. Transport Past and Present. Types of Transport.	Plant Life – Sunflowers. Food Groups - Fruit	Season Changes – Summer. Materials – Melting. Minibeasts Habitats.
Expressive Art and Design	Self Portraits. Combining Playdough and Natural Resources. Animal Puppets. Story Mapping Actions.	Decorating Gingerbread Men. Rangoli Patterns. Salt Dough Decorations. Pantomime. Nativity Song Performance.	Paper Plate Bear Faces. Environmental Settings – Den Making etc. Actions to Story – Bear Hunt.	Actions to Transport Types. Voice Pattern Sounds (Train etc). Train Craft. Train Station and Train – Outdoor Play	Van Gogh – Sunflowers. Flower Perfume – Mud Kitchen Petals. Colour Mixing.	Rock Painting – Minibeasts. Colour Mixing. Singing – There’s a Tiny Caterpillar.
Cultural Capital	Stay and Play Sessions. Sharing Stories.	Visits to the school library. Nativity Singing Performance. Pantomime. Christmas Movie Night.	Pancake Racing and Tasting.	Stay and Play Open Morning. Transport Themed Morning. Easter Workshop.	Caterpillar Eggs. Visit to School Pond. Planting.	Farm Visit to School. Stay and Play Open Morning including outside. Transition Visits.