

CURRICULUM

Prime Areas

Communication and Language	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Physical Development
Talk about family and friends	Share and take turns	FMS: gluing, painting with hands, painting with fingers, sponges, rollers, control brushes/scissors/crayons/glue sticks/pencils,
Discuss colours around us	Be kind and help each other	Painting/drawing/play dough/sticking/cutting/crayon/chalk
Join in songs /rhymes/poems understanding content	Explore emotions with puppets	Scissor and tweezer skills
Explore name and caption recognition and writing	Accept adult direction/understand and follow rules and regulations	Small world play
Play listening games	Maintain personal hygiene	Sand and water activities including sand writing
Make plans and discuss activities	Form good relationships with adults	Gardening
Describe experiences and own feelings	Learn dressing and undressing skills	Climbing and safe use of large equipment
Talk about favourite things	Wash dolls and clothes and importance of cleanliness	Spatial awareness
Discuss story characters	Understand right and wrong	Play musical instruments
Makaton signing	Understand stranger danger	Obstacle course
Fun with vocabulary	Celebrate birthdays and special occasions	Music, Movement, Circle songs and Dance
Chat about visit to reserve	Celebrate birthdays and special occasions	Confident use of ride on toys/trikes/stilts/scooters
Discuss seasonal changes	Saying sorry	Cooking and baking activities
Listen to, enjoy and share stories (topical) with props	Enjoy playing with others	Exploring different ways of moving - jumping, skipping, hopping, hopscotch etc.
Share news. Speak confidently and clearly in a group	Learn good behaviour and self control	Dressing skills
Re tell stories/role play	Gain independence	Active outdoor and indoor play
Hear and recognise phonic sounds & corresponding letters	including pouring own drinks, cutting own fruit, helping clearing and cleaning tables	Tracking games
Phonic sounds, actions and songs	Learn fire safety	Hoop/ball/beanbag play and skills
Improve colouring skills	Have a positive self image	Threading and sewing
Make own books	Understanding good manners and kindness to others	Handle cutlery and cooking utensils
Learn poems/rhymes/action songs	Express needs and feelings	Practice using knives and cutting and sandwich making
Have puppet shows	Healthy eating	Fitness and heart rate
Use imagination to change story endings	Increase confidence	Dress dolls
Enjoy all about me books	Understand the importance of safety	Parachute play
Speak confidently in group	Help with tasks - setting up games / toys, tidying	Jumping/hopping
Talk about items on interest table	Cooking and eating fruit and vegetables in season	Understand need for healthy eating
Use please and thank you	Taking part in group activities	Party games
Use comparative language	Learn address to keep safe	Woodwork handling carpentry tools safely and correctly
Chat about preferences	Importance of following instructions	Build and balance with construction
Use mirrors for watching and improving speech	Seasonal food and clothes	Handling tools correctly
Greetings cards		Sewing and threading
Conversation games and describing games		

Listening skills
Discuss outings
Mark making (with water, sand, paint, pens etc)
Discuss books, poems and songs about the season/topic
Poems - each child has a line and learn and recite together
Sound differentiation activities e.g. odd one out of objects
Extending vocabulary
Talk about our news and news on TV, differentiate fact from fiction
Action poems/rhymes re transport and space
Use intonation, rhythm and phrasing to make meaning clear to others
Discuss and be aware of other children's feelings
Alphabet fun
Discuss life and building of castles
Discuss why we like particular stories
Rhyming string fun
Using greetings in other languages
Discuss jobs that people do
Discuss theme / topic e.g pirates
Labelling areas and toys
The Lodge photo albums
Recognise others names and simple words
Labelling work and drawings
Topical books and songs about theme
Books about different jobs and professions

Autumn:

Discuss and celebrate harvest
Christmas activities/stories/concert
Learn Christmas songs and harvest songs

Spring:

Story of Chinese New Year - animals
Learn Easter songs

Understand what to do if tired, cold, unhappy, hungry
Recognise own belongings
Bring in interesting objects from home relating to theme
Respond to boundaries
Demonstrate pride
Enjoy outings
Improving organisational skills
Importance of tidying up
Understand the need for exercise to keep fit
Positive self image
Respect and learning that behaviour affects others

Autumn:

Give gifts for harvest
Take part in Christmas concert
Firework safety
Settle in and feel safe and happy
Make new friends

Spring:

Settle back and feel safe and happy
Celebrate Mother's Day

Practice rolling forwards
Moving and balancing
Learning how to tie up laces, buckle shoes
Role play active stories with whole bodies
Confident play with hoops, bean bags and stilts
Ball skills
Circle games
Safe use of large equipment
Putting a sequence of movements together

Autumn:

Autumn walk

Spring:

Spring cleaning
Handle chopsticks
Gardening and planting

Summer:

Discuss holidays
Discuss how plants grow and develop
Plan a summer picnic
Teddy Bears picnic - looking after needs
Plan a sports day

Summer:

Settle back and feel safe and happy
Enjoy photographers visit
Learn importance of sun hats and cream and staying safe in the sun
Fire Engine Visit
Police visit
Moving on to school / meeting new teachers (yellows)
Celebrate Queen's birthday
Pyjama party for independent dressing
Celebrate May Day
Celebrate Father's Day
Understand competition - winning and losing (Sports Day)
Celebrate achievements

Summer:

washing bikes / cars / scooters
Summer foods
Making smoothies
Weaving on garden fence
Gardening and planting

Specific Areas

Expressive Art and Design	Mathematical Development	Understanding of the World	Literacy
Make colourful collages	Measuring/weighing/sizing/fractions (e.g in play shop)	Observe seasonal changes/weather	Explore books about the world
Animal craft	Weighing for cooking - bread/biscuits etc	Follow calendar	Books about dinosaurs, animals, farms
2D & 3D collages	Counting and number games and songs	Use atlas/globe to talk about holidays, countries etc	Recognise names/months/days of week
Design and make greetings cards / gifts	Matching/sequencing/opposites/pairs	Recycling	Explore name writing and captions
Colour mixing, painting and drawing	Fun with shapes	Examine natural materials	Letter recognition
Explore ways of using paint/glue	Concept of time	Look at life cycles	Story telling
Play musical instruments	Number rhymes	Planting and growing, sowing, plant experiments	Borrow story sacks from library
Explore colour/colour mixing	Shape and numeral recognition	Learn daily routines	All about me books
Junk modelling	Use mathematical language	Share experiences	Role play stories
Model with play dough	Our weight and height	Crops/Discover how bread is made	Make up stories
Dance and musical movement	Count with acorns, leaves and fircones	Explore properties of water and ice	Rhyming fun
Percussion instruments exploring rhythm and dynamics	Dice and domino play	Learn about floating and sinking	Encourage mark making and writing
Use natural materials	Jigsaw and board puzzles	Learn about orchards	Make books
Working in large groups - outings project	Hopscotch and active number games	Discover the solar system and outer space	Discover our alphabet and that from other countries
Themed play requests from children	Making graphs and charts	Gardening	Make group picture books
Make dens outside	Investigate shapes of leaves/seeds/fircones	Feed birds	Explore books about the seasons
Make seasonal collages/paintings/ drawings	Feely bag play	Learn about hibernation/migration/ nocturnal creatures	Enjoy gardening books
Make puppets	Counting songs	Cooking	Enjoy bird identification books
3D modelling	Growing and recording	Investigate leaves	Attempt at labelling
Music from around the world	Using scales/balancing	Learn about dinosaurs	Paint, pen, sand, gloop mark making
Dressing up and role play	Water play - volume/capacity (jugs diff sizes etc)	Care for the environment	Recall stories, characters, plot and theme
Explore play dough/clay/plasticine & make models	Accurate counting	Compare and identify leaves	Share and enjoy factual information / books / recipe books / posters / atlases
Make objects from wood	Recognise house numbers, phone number, birth date	Discover what makes paper	Learn weekly songs and rhymes and actions
Use pastels and chalk	Sharing equally	Design and make dens	Sequence events in own experience
Sponge printing	counting and sorting fun using natural resources	Using blenders and mixers for cooking	Books on safety
Being creative outside - painting on large scale	Board games	Show interest in environment	Listen to other children's stories
Outdoor craft	Dominoes - number matching	Discuss day, night and time	Hear and recognise phonic sounds
Explore fabrics, textures, natural materials	Tally marks / graphs for recording	Show interest in sun, moon and planets	link sounds to letters
Theme craft eg. Make treasure maps, make treasure chests design and build castles etc.	Sorting and sizing games	Understanding effect of exercise on our bodies.	Story sacks
Using imagination	Explore shapes, dot to dot, templates, 2D and 3D	Discover how technology has changed.	Enjoy book corner
Create small world scenarios	Pattern matching and making	Discover different ways of travelling	
Making puppets	Improve spatial awareness	Discover rivers and moats	
Imaginative play using props	Solve simple mathematical puzzles / problems	Explore growth and decay	
	volume and capacity games	Learn about the past (inc topics eg. Pirate week, castles)	
	Sorting and sizing games	Learn about jobs people do	
	Fast and slow - looking at speed / weight etc experiments	Experiment with gradients	
	Making interest centres for maths / science	Track posted letters	
	Clocks/telling the time	Explore all of our senses	
	Using tape measures	Using magnifying glasses and compasses	
	Using positional language	Cold lands theme	
	Discover money and shopping games		
	Make 3D patterns using peg boards		

Weather charts - graphs
Use maps
Explore moving objects through different materials
Moving sand - investigate pulleys and forces
Experiment with wet and dry sand
Collages using shapes
Exploring vehicles (fastest, furthest etc)
Explore symmetry - butterfly wings, faces, bodies
Explore repeating patterns
House numbers
Shapes in the environment
Adding on and taking away
Gravity

Spring:
Measuring ingredients - pancakes etc

Summer:
Counting shells and pebbles
3D patterns - big peg boards in the garden
Making paper boats - measure, travel, record
Exploring symmetry - butterflies
Hopscotch outdoors

Autumn:
Orchard outing
Growing and harvesting food
Celebrate Harvest Festival
Autumn nature table
Visit Sevenoaks Wildlife Reserve
Celebrate Thanksgiving - November
Celebrate Christmas - December
Understand the need for warm clothing
Winter theme

Spring:
Winter theme
Spring theme (new life, growing and changing)
Celebrate Shrove Tuesday / make pancakes
Celebrate Easter
Celebrate Chinese New Year
Celebrate Australia Day
Taste and enjoy food from China, Australia and Wales
Enjoy blossom and spring buds
Celebrate St David's Day
Spring outing / walk

Summer:
Using atlas / globe to talk about holidays
Observe minibeasts in the garden (magnifying glass)
Study changes in season and trees and flowers
Observe life cycle of a butterfly
Making Elderflower cordial
Learn about bees and honey
Make honey sandwiches

Autumn:
Topical books

Spring:
Celebrate World Book Day
Mother's Day Cards
Topical books

Summer:
Topical books
Enjoy stories and songs about the sea

Autumn:
Autumn colours /textures/patterns
Firework pictures/craft
Christmas craft/decorations
Autumn Collage
Craft for Thanksgiving
Report The Lodge news
Symmetrical pictures

Spring:
Spring colours/textures/patterns
Make lanterns
Dragon dance to music
Easter craft
Mother's Day Cards

Summer:
Making seaside collages
Flower and insect collages
Father's Day Cards
Make a birthday card for the Queen
Car wash for bikes in the garden
Kites for display
Symmetrical pictures - butterflies

Role play life cycles
May Pole dancing
May Day Headdress making
Create a travel agency
Make postcards
Sunshine and summer collages