

YEARLY CURRICULUM

Here is an outline of the different topics that we as a team think are important, interesting and fun and give the children a good basic understanding of the world around them and prepare them for their ongoing journey to school and of course life.

We explore the seven areas of development: -

Personal, Social and Emotional, Communication and Language, Physical Development, Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design with indoor and outdoor activities and visits to different places.

Areas are explored with diverse approaches such as dressing up, cooking, craft, counting, pencil control, eating, listening, looking at books, watching short films, trips out and rolling in leaves to name just a few. Between the team we also have a varied assortment of toys for the children to move freely between and investigate at their own pace which is so important for learning and development. We will also be starting to bring in the rhymes for Phonics which have actions so the children can really get involved and be part of the fun.

This curriculum is not set in stone, we will visit the same places frequently and some activities will be repeated with slight adjustments to best suit the topic we are looking at usually taken from the children's preferences.

Our main objective is to show the children that the world is an exciting place with so much to see and experience and hopefully instill in them lots of enthusiasm to explore, learn and try new things.



MONTH	THEME/TOPIC FESTIVALS & CELEBRATIONS	PHONICS – LETTERS NURSERY RHYMES BOOKS	ACTIVITY IDEAS
JANUARY	Weather – Seasons, Clothes London & Royal Family Pirates, maps, flag Space, moon, stars & Sun Burns Night	D,G.O Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star The Grand Old Duke of York Rain Rain Go Away I Hear Thunder London Bridge is Falling Down I can sing a rainbow The Mouse that ate the moon Noisy Pirates Pirates on the Ship Questions and Answers about Space Darkness Slipped in The Boy who switched off the Sun Man on the Moon All about Weather Whatever the weather Rain snow or shine	Try Haggis, neeps & tatties Flags Pirate map London landmarks, the Royal family (visit London) Rock Cakes/Pirate biscuits Crowns Tuffer Tray with Space toys Weather craft, shine a torch onto a CD to reflect a rainbow on the wall.



FEBRUARY	Life Cycles – Frog, Bee, Butterfly,	L,F,B	Fortune cookies & Chinese Food
LEGICIAN	Plant		Messy play with cooked noodles
	Plants – including dangerous	Two Little Dickey Birds	Make pancakes
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	77 1 / 1	Mary Mary Quite Contrary	Press flowers for mother's day cards
	Valentine's day	Five little speckled frogs	Valentines craft
	Chinese New Year (China)	Where is the Beehive	Visit the garden centre
	Pancake Day		Try using Chopsticks
		Bees	Use Plastic tweezers to pick up small
		The Wide-Mouthed Frog	items
		Guess how much I love you	
		The Hungry Caterpillar	
		Garden Time	
		How does a frog grow	
		How does a butterfly grow	
		Why do we need bees	
		Wriggle and Roar	
		Wriggie and Roar	



MARCH	Zoo/Jungle Animals	AI,J,OA	Map of the world marking where animals
	Farm/Pets Animals		originate
	Birds	Five Little Ducks	Visit Zoo & Farms
		Old MacDonald's Farm	Flags for St. Patrick's & St David's day
	Mother's day	Goosey Goosey Gander	Flower craft for the above
	St. Patrick's day	Little Bo Peep	Cards for Mother's day
	St. David's day	Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat	Go out bird spotting
		The Farmer is in his Den	List the birds you see after visiting the
		This Little Piggy	farm, woods, Zoo, beach
		Horsey, Horsey don't you stop	
		Baa Baa Black Sheep	
		Panda Big and Panda Small	
		The Giraffe who Cock a doodle doo'd	
		Don't kick up a fuss Guss	
		Hairy Maclary	
		Dear Zoo	
		The Three Billy Goats Gruff	
		Gerald the Giraffe	
		The Tiger who came to Tea	
		The Town and Country Mouse	
		Farmyard Hullabaloo	
		Morag and the Lamb	
		The Highway Rat	
		The Bunged up Trunk	
		Dog Did it	
		A squash and a Squeeze	
		Hugless Douglas	
		My mum is fantastic	



APRIL	Spring – Clothing, nature, baby animals All about me: – Emotions, Skeleton, Body, Sences, Skin (Skin safety, colour), Disabilities, Keeping clean and healthy (Diet and Exercise), Teeth, mental health (hobbies), weighing and measuring body St. Georges Day Easter (Christian)	IE,EE,OR Head, Shoulder, Knees & Toes Oranges and Lemons Wee, Willie, Winkie Ring a ring a roses So Many books in the Box covering the body Snow white and the seven dwarfs We're going on an egg hunt	Flag and flower for St. Georges day Easter craft Visit some lambs, chicks etc. Go to Bluebell woods Weigh and Measure body parts Fruit and veg tasting, healthy eating plate, visit supermarket with baskets Make fruit kebabs
MAY	People who help us Recycling Wimbledon	Z,W,NG Jack and Jill went up the Hill Lucy Locket Lost her Pocket There was an old Women Humpty Dumpty Postman Bear The Jolly Postman Books in the box – firemen etc. Rupunzel	Strawberry picking, make jam Make jam tarts Play tennis in the garden Visit the hospital, Fire station, Police Station, Dentist, Recycle centre, School, Opticians, Vets, Post Office etc. Dress up in different outfits



JUNE	Stranger Danger Transport Father's Day	V,oo,OO The Wheels on the Bus Row, Row, Row your boat Down at the station The train song	Ride on a bus, train, boat Visit the airport Craft for Father's day Make biscuits using transport cutters
		Big Blue Train Dig Dig Digging The Wheels on the Bus Row Row Row your boat Cinderella I want my Dad Looking after Daddy	
JULY	Under the Sea/Fish Getting Ready for school Independence day (American)	Y,X,CH One, Two, Three, Four, Five A Sailor went to Sea, Sea, Sea Three little fishes Tiddler Snail on a Whale There are 101 Sea Creatures in this book The Selfish Crocodile The singing Mermaid Sharing a Shell, Seas Rainbow Reef Harry and the Dinosaur go to school	Try different fish Visit Aquatic centre Water and sand play Go to the beach Make biscuits with under the sea cutters



AUGUST	Insects Summer – Holiday, beach, Icecreams, sand castles, travel, summer clothes	SH,th,TH Alphabet song What the Ladybird Heard Ants in your pants Bug Hotel Bugs and Slugs Grasshoppers Spiders Ants Crazy Creepy Crawlies Superworm Incy Wincy Spider	Make fairy Cakes Go to the beach – Sand castles Visit the dinosaurs at the Zoo Weave grasses and flowers in the weaving boards. Make tree spirits
SEPTEMBER	Traditional tales Harvest – Scarecrow Ramadan (Muslim)	S,A,T Wind the Bobbin up Dingle Dangle Scarecrow Pat a cake, Pat a cake I'm a little teapot Coffee & Tea, Five Currant Buns The Three Little Pigs Little Red Riding Hood Jack and the Beanstalk The Three Bears The Gingerbread Man	Make gingerbread men Make sausage rolls Make porridge Make bread rolls Visit Gruffalo woods to make dens, roll around in crispy leaves Plant beans and watch them grow Apple picking



OCTOBER	Road Safety Autumn – Trees (conkers, acorns, pine cones, leaves etc.), Scarecrows Halloween Diwali (Hinduism)	Incy Wincy Spider I'm a little hedgehog The Leaves on the Trees Five Little Pumpkins The Gruffalo The GRuffalos Child Stickman Scarecrows Wedding The Enormous Turnip Trees and Tremendous Trees Room on the Broom	Make biscuits Practice crossing at Zebra crossings Conker rolling, Tree spirits, Leaf Crowns Conker necklaces Leaf printing Make mud pies Build dens in the woods Halloween Craft
NOVEMBER	Fire Safety Bonfire night – Hedgehogs in log piles Hibernation Bonfire Night Thanksgiving (American) Remembrance day Children in Need Hanukkah (Judaism)	C,K,E Ten in the Bed Five fat sausages Hey Diddle Diddle Hickory Dickory Doc We're going on a Bear Hunt Ferguses Scary Night Bitsy and the Bear Peace at last Sleeping beauty	Make Cheese Straws Sparklers in the garden Building pretend fires in the woods with sticks Make a den for a Hedgehog Visit a church to lay crosses for Remembrance Craft for Children in Need



DECEMBER	Light & Dark	H,R,M	Make mince pies
	Winter – Clothing, nature		Lots of Christmas craft & glitter
		Jingle Bells	Torches and light toys in the dark tent.
	Christmas (Christian)	We Wish you a merry Christmas	Bring in a toy that your child no longer
		Five Little Elves	plays with, wrapped up ready to donate
		Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer	to a charity for Christmas. Alternatively, provide £5 (or more) for your child to
		Dear Santa	purchase a toy (when out with us) which
		Pip and Posy the Christmas Tree	they can wrap to donate. Something kind
		The Nativity	for those less fortunate.
		The Jolly Christmas Postman	
		The Nutcracker	
		Night Monkey Day Monkey	
		The Snowman	
		The Night before Christmas	
		The Very Merry Mice	