St Mary Redcliffe Primary

Nursery Long Term Plan 2025-2026

Our curriculum follows the interests, fascinations and current needs of our children so may change as needs arise

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key Learning The	It's Good to be	Let's Celebrate	Transport and	In the Dark, Dark	Caring for Pets and	Our Wonderful World
'why'	Me!		Community	Woods	Farm Animals	
	To settle into	To develop an	Helpers			To develop an
	routines and rules	awareness and		To develop	To develop curiosity	understanding of and
	within the	respect for a variety	To develop an	knowledge about	about	curiosity about our
	nursery. To	of festivals and	understanding of	seasonal changes-	animals and plants	world and beyond
	develop	celebrations	different jobs and	spring. To develop	and their lifecycles	(outer space) and how
	relationships and		roles within our	an awareness of		to care for the planet.
	confidence to		community. To	stories that they		
	access provision.		know the different	can talk about and		
	To know who they		ways in which we	retell		
	are and who is		can travel			
	part of their family					
Core Texts	Julia Donaldron - Nick Sharratt Goat Goes To Playgroup	Room on the Broom		We're Going on a Bear Hant Missel Book	N Squash Act Sharter	Whatever Next!
	WHO SARE YOU?	WAN -	The Journey Home from Grandpa's m	Goldlocks Bears	The Three Little Pigs	WONDERFUL WORLD

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Core Rhymes	Heads, shoulders, knees and toes Jack and Jill Miss Polly had a dolly	Twinkle, twinkle little star Hey diddle diddle Humpty Dumpty	The wheels on the bus The Grand Old Duke of York Row, row, row your boat	Ten in a bed I'm a little teapot London Bridge 1,2,3,4,5, once I caught a fish alive	Mary, Mary Quite Contrary Old MacDonald Baa Baa black sheep	5 Little Men in a Flying Saucer Little Miss Muffet Incy Wincy Spider
Possible lines of enquiry	All about me My family Birthdays Rules and routines Feelings	Seasonal changes Autumn/Winter	Superheroes Visit from Police/ Police car, Fire Engine, Dentist	Seasonal changes Spring Teddy Bear's Picnic	Life cycles planting (Jack and the Beanstalk) and growing, visit from the farm	Visitors from the local community butterfly life cycle – Very Hungry Caterpillar Seasons- summer
Artist Links	Modrian Primary Colours	Jackson Pollock Firework	Kandinsky Circles	Andy Goldworthy Natural art	Laural Burch Whimscal Pets	Henri Mattise Snail

Othor linked toute	Lu Lu loves nursery	Seasonal texts	Books about different	Easter story	Jack and the Beanstalk	Seasonal texts National
Other linked texts	Elmer Dogger Books related to different feelings	Christmas and Nativity linked	occupations Books about unferent occupations Books about love Mr Wolf's Pancakes	Seasonal texts Stories about bears Percy's Park – stories about woodland animals	The Tiny Seed Jaspers Beanstalk	THE VERY HILLAR

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Personal, social and Emotional PSED Knowledge	I know the rules and routines in nursery and I am beginning to follow them. I can separate from my caregiver with support. I can identify members	I can play alongside others and begin to share and take turns with support. I know that people celebrate in different ways and I can talk	I can talk about different people in my community who help us and what they do. I can follow the rules and routines more independently.	I can talk about how characters feel in stories and begin to link these to my own feelings. I can listen to and join in with familiar stories	I Know how to care for living things and talk about their needs I am beginning to manage strong feelings with adult support (e.g. using calming	I know and can talk about the groups I belong to (family, nursery, community) I can talk about what I like/dislike and what makes me unique
	of my family and talk about who is special to me. I am learning to name basic emotions (happy, sad, angry, scared) using visual supports or prompts. I know how to find resources and ask for help if I need it I am learning how to join in with others in play.	about celebrations that are important to me. I feel safe and confident to interact with familiar and some unfamiliar adults. I can express how I feel in simple terms using words or visuals.	I can adapt to changes in routine or new situations with support. I am learning to express my feelings in different contexts (e.g. excited, nervous, proud).	and rhymes. I can take turns in small group games or activities with adult support. I am learning how to manage small conflicts using words and support from adults.	strategies) I am beginning to use words to express disagreement or need ("I don't like that", "I want a turn") I show resilience by trying again after difficulty or disappointment	I am beginning to talk about my feelings about change or moving on I can reflect on positive experiences from the year I show independence in managing my needs and behaviour
Development Matters links and School Readiness	Increasingly follow rules understanding why they are important Talk about their feelings using words like, happy, sad, scared, angry Select and use activities and resources with help when needed	Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people in the safe context of their setting Play with one or more children, extending and elaborating play ideas	Remember rules without needing an adult to remind me Show more confidence in new social situations	Talk with others to solve conflicts Understand gradually how others may be feeling	Find solutions to conflicts and rivalries Develop appropriate ways of being assertive	Develop their sense of responsibility and membership of a community
Vocabulary						

Communication and Language Knowledge	I know how to pronounce sound accurately I know how to communicate, sometimes struggling with irregular tenses	I know how to answer a question with two parts I know how to follow a two part instruction I know how to concentrate on more than one thing at a time	I know a variety of songs and can sing them I know how to speak in longer sentences of 4-6 weeks I know and can listen to longer stories and remember what happens	I know vocabulary linked to a variety of topics I have explored I know how to answer 'why' questions I know how to take part in conversations many times	I know how to organise my play and myself I know lots of rhymes I know how to tell a long story I know some familiar stories	I know my point of view on a topic and can explain this to others even when they disagree
Development Matters links and School Readiness	Develop their pronunciation but may have problems with some sounds; r,j,th,ch,sh Develop communication sometimes having	Pay attention to more than one thing at a time, which can be difficult Understand a question or instruction that has two parts	Sing a large repertoire of songs Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens Use longer sentences of 4-6 words	Use a wider range of vocabulary Understand 'why' questions Can start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns	Use talk to organise themselves and their play Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books and be able to tell a long story	Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend
	problems with irregular					
	tenses					
Vocabulary						
Physical	I know how to make	I know how to skip,	I know how to keep my	I know how to select	I know which is my	I know what my
Development	snips in paper I know how to use large	hop, stand on one leg I know how to work	balance I know how to use the	resources to follow my plan	preferred hand I know how to throw,	comfortable grip is when mark making I
Knowledge	movements to paint, wave, swirl Daily squiggle while you wriggle – direct instruction, developing awareness of mark making.	with a friend I know how to go up and down steps safely I know how to use scissors to cut a straight line Daily squiggle while you wriggle – direct instruction, developing awareness of mark making.	toilet independently I know how to get dressed and undressed I know how to fasten my coat I know how to cut along a wavy line Daily squiggle while you wriggle – direct instruction, developing awareness of mark making.	I know how to cut along a wavy line Daily squiggle while you wriggle – direct instruction, developing awareness of mark making.	kick and catch a large ball I know how to cut around a shape I know some healthy choices Daily squiggle while you wriggle – direct instruction, developing awareness of mark making.	know how to make my own games and play them I know how to cut around a shape Daily squiggle while you wriggle – direct instruction, developing awareness of mark making.

Development Matters links and School Readiness	Use one handed tools and equipment Use large muscle movements to wave flags, streamers, paint	Go up steps and stairs or apparatus using alternative feet I can demonstrate a range of physical skills, balance, ride, climb Collaborate with others to move objects Scissor skills cutting along a straight line Use one handed tools and equipment	Continue to develop movement and balancing, riding and ball skills Be increasingly independent as I meet my own care needs I can put on an take off my coat, shoes, apron	Choose the right resources to carry out a plan Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities Use one handed tools and equipment	Use one handed tools and equipment Show a preference for a dominant hand Make healthy choices Increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movement with music and rhythm I can do up my coat, with a zipper or poppers	Use one handed tools and equipment Use a comfortable grip with good control Take part in activities they make up for themselves
Vocabulary						
Literacy Knowledge	I know print goes from left to right and top to bottom I know print has meaning I know how to talk about stories	I know that pages go in order I know a book has a front and back cover		know a book has an author and what vocabulary I know knowledge of letters my early writing I how to write some letters accurately	I know a book has an illustrator and what they do	I know a book has a blurb and what it is I know how to write some or all of my name
Development Matters links and School Readiness	Engage in extended conversations about stories learning new vocabulary Know that print has meaning and is read left to right, top to bottom	Sequence of pages Know where the front and back cover of a book is	Use some of their print and early writing	d letter knowledge in their		Write some or all of their name
				Develop their phonological Suggest a missing work Count or clap syll Recognise words with	rd in a nursery rhyme llables in a word	

Understand the five key concepts about print: Print has meaning

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Development Matters links and School Readiness	Explore colour and sort, categorise and match Make comparisons between objects relating to size	Develop fast recognition of upto 3 objects without counting-subitising	Develop fast recognition of upto 3 objects without counting-subitising Say one number for each item in order 1,2,3,4,5	Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how	Begin to describe a sequence of events, first, next, then Understand positi9on through words alone	Recite numbers past 5 Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how
	Complete inset puzzles Compare sizes, bigger, smaller Talk about and explore 2D shapes using informal and mathematical language	Say one number for each item in order 1,2,3,4,5 Show finger numbers	Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in totalcardinal principle Link numerals to amounts Experiment with own symbols and marks as well as numerals Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes using mathematical and informal language	many there are in totalcardinal principle Recite numbers past 5 Link numerals to amounts Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity	Compare quantities- more then, less than Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes using mathematical and informal language	many there are in totalcardinal principle Link numerals and amounts Solve real world problems with numbers to 5
Maths Rhymes linked	1,2,3,4,5, once I caught a fish alive 1 potato 5 little speckled frogs 5 little ducks 5 currant buns 5 sausages	1 finger, 1 thumb 1, 2 Buckle my shoe 2 little dickie birds Head, shoulders, knees and toes Zoom, zoom, zoom	Three blind mice Three little kittens 5 snowmen 4 teddy bears 5 fingers Alice the camel	Sing a song of sixpence When Goldilocks came to the house of the bears I'm a little bean 5 cheeky monkeys swinging in the trees	One big hippo Sleeping bunnies 5 cheeky monkeys jumping on the bed 5 little apples	5 little men in a flying saucer Humpty Dumpty One elephant went out to play Ring a roses London Bridge is falling down

Understanding the	I know how old I am I	I know that some	I know about different	I know that spring is a	I know how to plant	I know that there are
•	can name members of	materials (ice,	occupations and can	season and can notice	seeds and talk about	different countries in the
World	my family and say who	chocolate, dough)	describe what people do	some signs of spring	what plants need to	world and can name a
	lives with me	change when heated	in their jobs	(e.g. flowers growing,	grow (sun, water, soil) I	few with support (e.g.
Knowledge	I know how to explore objects using my senses (e.g. "It feels soft", "It smells nice")	or cooled I can talk about different materials using basic properties (e.g. hard, soft, shiny, bendy) I know and can talk about changes in the natural world linked to autumn and winter (e.g. leaves falling, weather getting colder) I am beginning to understand that	I know that people have different cultures, appearances, and abilities and that this makes us special I know that things move in different ways and can be pushed or pulled I can explore magnets and describe how they attract or repel certain materials	(e.g. nowers growing, baby animals, warmer weather) I know and can name simple natural materials (e.g. wood, leaves, stones, water) I am beginning to talk about what I can see, hear and feel in natural environments like the woods or garden I know that some animals live in the woods and begin to	know and can describe the life cycle of a butterfly using simple language (e.g. egg, caterpillar, cocoon, butterfly) I know what animals need to stay alive and healthy (food, water, shelter) I show care and responsibility when looking after living things	"People live in Africa – it's hot there") I know some simple differences between countries (e.g. weather, food, animals, clothes, homes) I know how to care for the world by doing small things (e.g. not dropping litter, recycling, saving water) I can talk about my own family, traditions, and
				name a few (e.g. fox,		community (e.g. "I live
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		different people celebrate different things in different ways		owl, rabbit) I am beginning to understand that places look different at different times of the year (e.g. snow in winter, flowers in spring)		in Darwen"; "My grandma lives far away") I am beginning to show interest in the wider world (e.g. space, oceans, travel) and ask questions about it I can explore and describe how simple things work (e.g. cause and effect: light switches, water wheels, pulleys etc)
	Weekly exploration of gr	een space. Termly city fa	arm visits supporting abov	ve aspects of UW. Manan	iging self - dressing self.	1

Development Matters links and School Readiness	Begin to make sense of their own life story and family history Use all of their senses in hands on exploration of natural materials Lifecycles- human- how old am I?	differences between materials and changes that they notice Explore how things work	Explore and talk about forces they can feel Show an interest in different occupations Continue developing positive attitudes about differences between people	Explore collections of materials with similar and different properties Talk about what they see using a wide range of vocabulary	Plant seeds and care for growing plants Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things Understand the features of a life cycle plant/butterfly	Can talk about family, community and wider experiences Explore how things work
Expressive Arts and Design Knowledge	I know how to show emotions-sad, happy etc through my art I know how to play and use different objects to represent something in my play	I know how to play instruments with increasing controlincluding those I have made I know how to sing some familiar songs	I know and can remember entire songs I know how to listen carefully to sounds I know how to draw closed shapes with continuous lines to represent objects I know how to print with different shapes	I know there are different materials and can explore using them I know how to use small world to make up my own stories	I know how to add detail to my drawings I know how to join materials and use different textures I know how to create and build in small world	I know how to make my own songs using those I know I know my own ideas and can try them out using different materials- masks, clay, Modroc linked to sculptor John Kindness
Development Matters links and School Readiness	Show different emotions in their drawing and painting Experiment with colour mixing, paint with	represent ideas like movement and loud	Remember and sing a few songs and/or rhymes Listen with increased attention to sounds	Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another personpitch match Explore materials freely to develop their ideas	different materials and	Create their own songs or improvise a song around one they know Develop own ideas and then decide which
	different parts of the body Take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else	Respond to what they see and hear expressing their thoughts and feelings Sing the melodic shape of familiar songs	Create closed shapes with continuous lines- use these to represent objects	about how to use them and what to make- link to artist Andy Goldsworthy natural materials Begin to develop complex stories using small world	Make imaginative and complex small worlds with blocks and construction sets	materials to use to express them
Vocabulary			1	1	1	1