

# Curriculum Overview 2025/26 - Nursery (year 1)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Themes</b>	All about me (My family and I)	Celebrate the World (Nativity and Christmas)	Safari	On the Farm	In the Garden	Pirates
<b>Core texts</b>	What do I look like? Pink is for boys The Colour Monster Roald Dahl - Colours Owl Babies That's when I'm happy	The Quiet Little Firework The Best Diwali Ever Stickman Dear Santa Aliens love Pantaclaus One Special books	Elephant in my kitchen The Lion inside Rumble in the Jungle There's a tiger in the garden Goldilocks and the three bears Three billy Goats Gruff	My mum is fantastic Rosie's walk Marvin gets mad Farmer duck/Lucky duck One duck stuck Hungry Hen Old Mac Donald	The Tiny Seed Sam Plants a Sunflower Oliver's Vegetables The Extraordinary Gardener Ned and the Great Garden Hamster Race Stuck	My dad is brilliant Sink The pirates are Coming The pirate Tree A New Home for a Pirate Pirates Love Underpants Contrary Mary
<b>Poetry Basket Rhymes</b>	Chop chop Pointy Hat Wise Old Owl	Falling apples Breezy Weather Cup of Tea	Popcorn Pancakes I Can Build a Snowman	Furry Furry Squirrel A Little Seed Mrs Bluebird	Dance Sliced Bread Five Little Peas	The Fox Thunderstorm Under a Stone
<b>Phonics</b>	Little Wandle phonics - no sounds/focus on Rhyme time Kindness makes us strong Where's Lenny	Little Wandle phonics - Tuning into sounds (s,a,t,p,i,n,m) Monsters Clothes Lulu Loves the Library	Little Wandle phonics - Tuning into sounds (d,g,o,c,k,e) Car,Car,Truck Hello Friend	Little Wandle phonics - Tuning into sounds (u,r,h,b,f,l) Would you rather	Little Wandle phonics - Tuning into sounds (j,v,w,y,z,qu,ch) Errol's Garden	Little Wandle phonics - Tuning into sounds (ck,x,sh,th,ng,nk) All through the night
<b>Topic Vocabulary</b>	Family, mum, dad, brother, sister, grandparents, pets, colours, facial features	Christmas, nativity, costume, celebration, Guy Fawkes, Remembrance, Diwali, Lights, Pattern	Safari, lion, elephant, animals, habitats, giraffe, hippo, zebra, wildlife	Farm, pig, cows, horse, chickens, cat, rabbit, dog	Garden, summer, plants, growing, changing, seeds, bulbs, flowers	Pirate, eye-patch, ship, treasure, ahoy, flag
<b>Maths (in the style of WRM)</b>	Comparison 1 Shape, space and measure 1 Pattern 1 Counting 1 and 2 Subitising 1	Subitising Pattern 2 Shape, space and measure 2 Subitising 2 Counting 3	Shape, space and measure 3 Pattern 3 Counting 4 Shape, space and measure 4 Subitising 3 Comparison 2	Pattern 4 Shape, space and measure 5 Pattern 5 Subitising 4	Counting 5 Pattern 6 Counting 6 Comparison 3	Number composition What comes after/before? Numbers to 5 On the move
<b>Communication and Language</b>	Listening to stories, using a wider range of vocabulary, understanding questions and instructions, singing songs. <b>(Helicopter Stories)</b>					
<b>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</b>	Developing responsibility, showing confidence, playing with a group of children, following rules, talk about feelings (Colour Monster), independence including brushing teeth, going to the toilet, washing hands and making healthy food choices.					
<b>Physical Development</b>	Gross Motor - Developing movement, balancing, riding, climbing, ball skills, skipping, hopping, and standing on one leg. (Daily Wake and Shake dances, outdoor play and PE Lessons) Fine Motor - using one-handed tools and a pencil grip.					
<b>Understanding the World</b>	Life stories and family history	Repeating actions	Life cycle of animals	Exploring natural materials Life cycle of animals	Different jobs Planting seeds	Differences in the world
<b>Expressive Arts &amp; Design</b>	Pretend play, developing stories, exploring materials, joining techniques, drawing using shapes and continuous lines, colour and mixing, singing and creating songs and playing instruments.					
<b>Knowledge and Skills</b>	There are 7 aspirations that we hope our Nursery children achieve before transitioning to the next stage of their education (see separate document). The aspirations are split into 7 strands and are assessed and monitored throughout the year. 1. Imagine 2. Question 3. Manage 4. Draw 5. Create 6. Solve 7. Write					
<b>Celebrations</b>	Black History Month	Bonfire Night, Diwali, Christmas Nursery Rhyme Week	Storytelling Week Chinese New Year Valentine's Day Pancake Day	Communication/Language Week Mother's Day, Ramadan, Science Week, Easter, Eid-Al-Fitr	Father's Day Gypsy Traveller Month	Father's Day Eid Al Adha
<b>Trips and Experiences</b>		Nativity	Butterflies		People who help us visit (gardener/florist)	Bekonscot Model Village

