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General themes	All about me	Let's Celebrate	All about Winter	My Favourite Books	The world around us	Journeys
These themes may be adapted to allow for children's interests	My New School, My Body & Senses, My Family, Rhyme Time	Diwali, Julia Donaldson, Christmas, Light & Dark	Winter, Arctic Animals, Chinese New Year	Traditional Tales, Easter, Keeping Healthy	Minibeasts, Plants, People Who Help Us	At the Seaside, Journeys, Sun Safety
High quality texts	The Last Noo Noo The Colour Monster The Loudest Roar Traditional Nursery Rhymes	Range of fiction and non-fiction focusing on Diwali and Christmas. Owl Babies Stick Man Room on the broom The Gruffalo Night monkey/day monkey	Range of fiction and non- fiction focusing on Arctic Animals & Chinese New Year  Winnie in Winter The Snowball Jack Frost The Gruffalos Child	Tiny seed Titch Hungry Caterpillar Jack and the Beanstalk Six dinner Sid Tall Jaspers beanstalk	Oi Frog What the Ladybird Heard One is a snail and ten is a crab Snail trail	Mr Grumpy's outing The doorbell rang Little red Riding hood The secret path Me on the map
COEL	Characteristics of Effective Learning Playing and exploring: - Children investigate and experience things, and 'have a go'. Children who actively participate in their own play develop a larger store of information and experiences to draw on which positively supports their learning Active learning: - Children concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties. They are proud of their own achievements. For children to develop into self-regulating, lifelong learners they are required to take ownership, accept challenges and learn persistence.  Creating and thinking critically: - Children develop their own ideas and make links between these ideas. They think flexibly and rationally, drawing on previous experiences which help them to solve problems and reach conclusions.					
Over arching principles	Unique Child: Every child is unique and has the potential to be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.  Positive Relationships: Children flourish with warm, strong & positive partnerships between all staff and parents/carers. This promotes independence across the EYFS curriculum. Children and practitioners are NOT alone – embrace each community.  Enabling environments: Children learn and develop well in safe and secure environments where routines are established and where adults respond to their individual needs and passions and help them to build upon their learning over time.  Learning and Development: Children develop and learn at different rates (not in different ways as it stated 2017). We must be aware of children who need greater support than others.					

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Personal, Social and Emotional Development	involves children, ad practical as possible an leading their own  Children's personal, social and e personal development are the ir their own feelings and those of abilities, to persist and wait for eating, and manage personal ne	ults, high quality resource and we uphold the ethos play and also taking part ut motional development (PSED) is apportant attachments that shap others. Children should be supp what they want and direct atter eds independently. Through sup	arn best when they are absces, stimuli and key texts/of learning through play for tin play that is guided by nderstanding and broadens crucial for children to lead health be their social world. Strong, warm ported to manage emotions, development of the manage emotions, development of the manage emotions and the population as necessary. Through adult in the children can achieve at school Listening to my feelings, Going	events to engage childr or sustained periods of adults. The role of the a ning their experiences. by and happy lives, and is funda- and supportive relationships of op a positive sense of self, set modelling and guidance, they we dren, they learn how to make g	en. We believe that the time throughout the dadult is central to deep amental to their cognitive dew with adults enable children to themselves simple goals, havill learn how to look after the	e EYFs should be as lay. Children learn by bening children's relopment. Underpinning their learn how to understand re confidence in their own bir bodies, including healthy
Self regulation Making relationships	What makes me special Me and my special people Who can help me? (self- regulation) Me and my feelings 1 & 2 (naming different feelings, thinking about how to feel with 'not so good feelings', know some self-care techniques) Know that some actions and words can hurt others feelings. Handwashing Class rules: Behavioural expectations in the class/boundaries set Class rules I can separate from my main carer with support I can distract myself when I am upset	and putting back own belongings How do others feel? What makes a good friend? Getting on and falling out. How to deal with anger e.g. when someone has taken a toy.  I can express my own feelings I am aware of my own feelings and am beginning to understand that some actions and words can hurt other's feelings I can demonstrate friendly behavior and form good relationships with adults and peers	for Goals, Taking turns – playing games, Sharing toys/resources  I can use an adult as a secure base I can begin to accept the needs of others and can take turns and share resources I can show confidence in asking adults for help I can usually tolerate delay when my needs are not immediately met	know what makes a good friend Being helpful at home and caring for our classroom Caring for our world Healthy eating & exercise Oral hygiene & care packages to send home  I am beginning to understand about foods that are healthy and unhealthy  I can express my own preferences and interests I can respond to a few appropriate boundaries I know about oral hygiene	things go wrong: resilience Yes I can: confidence and resilience Being kind to living creatures Relationships Kim's game/ memory games.  I am confident to talk to other children hen playing I can usually tolerate delay when my needs are not immediately met I can seek out others to share experiences I welcome value and praise for what I have done	Transition to Reception. Discuss what might be different/the same as Nursery.  What are they looking forward to doing? School readiness I enjoy the responsibility of carrying out small tasks I can select and use activities and resources independently I can follow rules and understand why they are important I understand that my wishes my not always be met I am confident and outgoing with familiar people in the safe context of my setting

#### Physical Development

Physical activity is **vital** in children's all-round development, enabling them to **pursue happy**, **healthy and active lives**. Gross and fine motor experiences develop incrementally throughout early childhood, starting with **sensory explorations** and the development of a **child's strength**, **co-ordination and positional awareness** through tummy time, crawling and play movement with both objects and adults. By creating games and providing opportunities for play both indoors and outdoors, adults can support children to develop their **core strength**, **stability**, **balance**, **spatial awareness**, co-ordination and agility. Gross motor skills provide the foundation for developing healthy bodies and social and emotional well-being. **Fine motor control and precision helps with hand-eye co-ordination**, which is later linked to **early literacy**. Repeated and varied opportunities to explore and play with small world activities, puzzles, arts and crafts and the practice of using small tools, with feedback and support from adults, allow children to develop **proficiency**, **control and confidence**.

- -I can hold a pencil (fisted/digital pronate grip) to make marks
- -I am beginning to do up my own large buttons
- -I can turn the pages in a book
- -I can fit the pieces of a puzzle together
  -I can pick up tiny objects using a fine pincer grasp
   I can use one-handed tools and equipment, e.g. make snips in paper with child

scissors

- I can use tweezers
   I can use tools effectively in playdough (eg: cutters/rollers)
- -I can take off and put on my own shoes (not laces) I am beginning to do up my own zip
- -I can show increasing control over tools like pencils and crayons.
- -I can use tools for mark making with control.
   -I can grip using five fingers or preferably two fingers and

thumb for control.

 I can use a 4 finger grip to hold my pencil
 I can use pincers, tweezers and threading equipment with increasing control and

confidence

-I can use scissors
effectively to cut straight
lines in paper
-I am beginning to use 3
fingers (tripod grip) to hold
my pencil

Regular daily access to outdoor area for prolonged periods of time- ring games/parachute games outside. Using a range of small and large equipment e.g. construction, mark making, mud kitchen, gardening, role-play.

#### Cosmic yoga

Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: - rolling - crawling - walking - jumping - running - hopping - skipping - climbing Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace.

Develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons.

Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor.

Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group. Develop overall body-strength, balance, co-ordination and agility.

Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming. Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball.

### Communication and Language

The development of children's spoken language underpins all seven areas of learning and development. Children's **back-and-forth interactions** from an early age form the foundations for language and cognitive development. The number and quality of the conversations they have with adults and peers throughout the day in a **language-rich environment** is crucial. By commenting on what children are interested in or doing, and echoing back what they say with **new vocabulary added**, practitioners will build children's language effectively. **Reading frequently to children**, and **engaging them actively in stories**, non-fiction, rhymes and poems, and then providing them with extensive opportunities to use and **embed new words in a range of contexts**, will give children the opportunity to thrive. Through **conversation**, **story-telling and role play**, where children **share their ideas** with support and **modelling** from their teacher, and sensitive questioning that invites them to elaborate, children become comfortable using a **rich range of vocabulary** and **language structures**.

Communication and language is a key focus for the EYFS developed through sharing high quality texts, interactions, small group focused language groups, like ginger bear, language interventions and sharing our own stories. (Helicopter stories.)

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Literacy	It is crucial for children to develop a life-long love of reading. Reading consists of two dimensions: language comprehension and word reading. Language comprehension (necessary for both reading and writing) starts from birth. It only develops when adults talk with children about the world around them and the books (stories and non-fiction) they read with them, and enjoy rhymes, poems and songs together. Skilled word reading, taught later, involves both the speedy working out of the pronunciation of unfamiliar printed words (decoding) and the speedy recognition of familiar printed words. Writing involves transcription (spelling and handwriting) and composition (articulating ideas and structuring them in speech, before writing)						
Comprehension - Developing a passion for reading	- I can fill in missing words from well-known rhymes - I can show a preference for a book or a song or a rhyme.	- I can identify myself in a story and show enjoyment for stories about familiar people - I can hold a book, turn the pages and indicate an understanding of pictures and print.	- I am beginning to be aware of the way stories are structured.  - I show interest in illustrations and print in books and print in the environment.	-I can describe main story settings, events and principal charactersI can make suggestions about what might happen next in a story	-I can talk about events and characters in a book -I can suggest how a story might end	- I can describe main story settings, events and principal characters. - I can tell a story to friends	
Word Reading	- I can join in with rhymes and stories	- I can identify rhymes. I can join in with the rhythm of well-known rhymes and songs. - I can notice and repeat sounds	- I can understand that print has meaning - I can hold a book the right way up and turn pages by myself	-I know that print can have different purposes -I know the names of the different parts of a book	-I know that we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom -I can identify signs and symbols in the environment and recall what they mean/I can ascribe meaning to other marks, like on signage.	- I can spot and suggest rhymes - count or clap syllables in a word - recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother	
Writing	- I can randomly scribble on the page, sometimes with both hands.  - I can begin to balance when sitting.  - I can make connections between my actions and the marks being made.	-I can control the marks on the pageI can use a range of tools to make marks and show an interest in my own marks and others marks.	- I can make connections between my actions and the marks being made.  - I ascribe meaning to my marks	-I can distinguish between the different marks I makeI can tell an adult what my marks mean - I can draw lines and circles in the air, on the floor or on large sheets of paper, balancing well and using whole arm and body.  - I can copy shapes, letter and pictures	-I can identify sounds from my own name in other wordsI can write some or all of my name.	-I can use some of my print and letter knowledge in my early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write 'm' for mummy.  -I can write some letters accurately	

Mathematics	Developing a <b>strong grounding in number</b> is essential so that all children develop the necessary <b>building blocks</b> to excel mathematically. Children should be able to <b>count confidently</b> , develop a deep understanding of the <b>numbers to 10</b> , the <b>relationships between</b> them and the patterns within those numbers. By providing frequent and varied opportunities to build and apply this understanding - such as using <b>manipulatives</b> , including small pebbles and tens frames for organising counting - children will develop a secure base of knowledge and vocabulary from which <b>mastery of mathematics</b> is built. In addition, it is important that the curriculum includes <b>rich opportunities for children to develop their spatial reasoning</b> skills across all areas of mathematics including shape, space and measures. It is important that children <b>develop positive attitudes and interests in mathematics</b> , look for <b>patterns and relationships</b> , spot <b>connections</b> , <b>'have a go'</b> , <b>talk to adults</b> and peers about what they notice and not be afraid to make mistakes.					
	-I can recite some number names in sequence -I can show interest in and join in with number rhymes	-I can recite some number names past 5 - I can have conversations about numbers -I can say when two small groups have the same number -I can sort objects using one simple criteria -I can share play toys with a friend when asked	-I can recite some number names in sequence -I can show interest in and join in with number rhymes -I can bring one or two objects to and adult when asked -I can extend a simple ABABAB pattern -I can experiment with my own symbols, marks and numerals	-I can create a simple ABABAB pattern -I can use number names to ten -I am beginning to could small quantities accurately -I can show understanding of simple comparisons - more -I can give one more object when asked -I can identify the shape of everyday objects	-I can recite some number names in sequence -I can show interest in and join in with number rhymes -I can correct a simple pattern -I can show understanding of simple comparisons - less -I can take one object away when asked -I can use informal language such as 'stripy' 'pointy' when sorting objects -I know that the last number reached when counting objects is how many in total -I have fast recognition of three objects -I can compare quantities	- I can say one number name for each item in order to five  -I can link numerals and amounts  -I can show finger numbers up to five  -I can describe a sequence of events in order  -I can use mathematical language to describe shapes  -I can identify numerals in the environment  -I can represent numbers using marks
Understanding the world RE/Festivals Our RE Curriculum enables children	the world around them – from	es guiding children to <b>make sense of tl</b> visiting parks, libraries and museums is will foster their understanding of our words that support understanding	to meeting important members of soc	ety such as police officers, nurse ecologically diverse world. As w	es and firefighters. In addition, liste vell as building important knowledg	ning to a broad selection of stories, ge, this extends their familiarity with
to develop a positive sense of themselves and others and learn how to form positive and	-I enjoy joining in with family customs and routines Which people are special and why?	-I can remember and talk about significant events in my own experience	-In pretend play I can imitate everyday actions and events from my own family and cultural background	-I can recognise similarities and differences	-I know that I have similarities and differences that connect me to and distinguish me from others	-I can develop my sense of responsibility and membership of a community What is special about our world?

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respectful relationships. They will begin to understand and value the differences of individuals and groups within their own community. Children will have opportunity to develop their	Being special: where do we belong? Belonging to their family Being part of the Kittens/Pinewood family Which stories are special and why? Diwali  -I am interested in photographs of myself and familiar people	What times are special and why? Which stories are special and why? Christmas  -I show interest in different occupations (Eg: fire fighters/nurse/police	What times are special and why?  Chinese new year  -I can begin to make sense of my own life-story and family's history	What times are special and why? Which stories are special and why? Easter What places are special and why? Church at Easter  -I can talk about environments in stories	What is special about our world? Awe and wonder: growth and change of animals  -I can see my new friends have similarities and	-I can use simple positional language -I am beginning to talk	
emerging moral and cultural awareness.	and objects -I am curious about people and show interest in stories about myself and my family -I can talk about what I was like when I was a baby	officers)  -I enjoy celebrating my birthday and that of others  -I can make observations about my immediate environment  -I can, in pretend play, imitate everyday actions and events from own family and cultural background, e.g. making and drinking tea.	-I can identify where things belong in my environment Eg: where my bottle/coat/painting goes	-I can talk about places I have visited (e.g.: the park/ASDA) -I can follow positional language instructions -I am beginning to notice changes in my environment	differences that connect them to, and distinguish them from, others -I can talk about places in and around school -	about and describe changes in my environment	
	Outdoor area- growing and observing changes. (trees/plants etc)						

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Minibeast homes outside.

Exploring the weather (making kites/wind makers)
Seasons- collecting autumn leaves/spring flowers etc
Name animals and common plants.

Expressive Arts and Design  Painting, 3D modelling, messy play, collage, cutting, drama, role play, threading, moving	enabling them to ex understanding, <b>self-exp</b>	dren's artistic and cultural awarene colore and play with a wide range of ression, vocabulary and ability to color into the musical worlds. Invite musical worlds are the color into new musical worlds.	f media and materials. The quality ommunicate through the arts. The erpreting and appreciating what the	and variety of what children s frequency, repetition and de ey hear, respond to and obse and talk about it. Encourage	see, hear and participate in is cr pth of their experiences are fur rve.	ucial for developing their damental to their progress in
to music, clay sculptures, following music patterns with instruments, singing songs linked to topics, making instruments, percussion. Work will be displayed in the classroom lots of links to Fine Motor Skills. Children to explain their work to others. Children will have opportunities to learn and perform songs, nursery rhymes and poetry linked to their work / interests and passions	different materials freely, in order to develop my ideas about how to use them and what to makeI can use various construction materials -I can manipulate play dough (roll, knead)	to apply paint (brushes of different sizes, sponges, fingers)  - I can recognise and name colours.	materials and explore different textures.  - I can draw identifiable pictures  -I can use a variety of tools to apply paint (brushes of different sizes, sponges, fingers) with increasing control	what I am creating -I can begin to use representation to communicate, e.g. drawing a line and saying 'That's me.'	with identifiable features -I can develop my own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them.	exposed to a different range of artists -I can show interest and describe the texture of things

On-going access to the Creative area

<sup>-</sup> Resources used throughout year: watercolour, ready mixed paints, oil/pastels, pencils, felts, charcoal, collage, wax resist, printing.

- Different types of dough/malleable materials each week for children to explore.