

St Leonard's Catholic Primary School Annual Curriculum Planner (Reception) 2023-24



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Theme	Me, Myself and I.	Let's Celebrate!	Around the World!	Once Upon a time!	Everyone Grows!	Seaside Fun!
The Characteristics	Playing and Exploring		Creating and Thinking Critically		Active Learning	
of Effective	(Children investigate and experience things)		(Children develop their own ideas and develop		(Children concentrate and keep trying if they	
Learning			strategies for doing things)		encounter difficulties, and enjoy achievements)	
Main Focus	Starting School	Autumn	Winter	Castles, Kings and	Spring	Summer
	My New Class	Harvest	Climates	Queens	Farms	Underwater
	New Beginnings	Different Celebrations:	Environments	Dragons	Growing life	Ocean
	Ourselves	Space	Hibernation	Outdoors	cycles	Travel
	Individuality	Light/Dark	Where do we live?	Recycling	Animals patterns	Holidays
	My Body				Habitats	Transport
	Staying Healthy					
	How have I changed?					
	What am I good at?					
	My Family					
	Being Kind					
Key Events	Roald Dahl Day	Black History Month	Internet Safety Day	World book day	Eid	World Environment Day
	Birthdays	Remembrance Day	Valentine's Day	Science Week		Healthy eating week
	Harvest	Halloween	Shrove Tuesday	Mother's Day		Father's Day
	Autumn Trail	Bonfire Night	Chinese New Year	Easter		Sports Day
		Diwali				
		Hanukkah				
		Space Week				
		Children in Need Day				
		Anti-Bullying Week				
		Nativity				
		Christmas				
Key Texts	The Invisible String	Room on the Broom	Winter Sleep	Sleeping Beauty	The Cautious	A bear called Paddington
	Elmer	Little Glow	Stick Man	Jim and the	Caterpillar	The Snail and the Whale
	The Rainbow Fish	Aliens love Underpants	Clean Up	Beanstalk	Handa's Surprise	Tiddler
				Rapunzel	The Tiny Seed	

The three prime areas of learning and development	Language	Listening, Attention and Understanding - Settling in activities and carpet time To enjoy listening to stories and rhymes with interest To understand basic questions and instructions Talk about different moods and feelings.	Listening, Attention and Understanding - To learn and use new vocabulary. - To listen to stories to build familiarity, understanding and increase vocabulary.	Listening, Attention and Understanding - Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.
	Communication and	Speaking - Adults to model language such as "Thank You!" "How are you?" - To be able to start a conversation with a peer and adult To articulate their own ideas and thoughts Talk about their own experiences.	Speaking - Ability to speak in sentences and develop relationships. - Retelling a story in their own words using some story language. - Asking how and why questions. - To use language to recreate roles and experiences throughout their play.	Speaking - Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary - Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate - Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.
The three p	Personal, Social and	Self-Regulation - See themselves as a valuable individual Learning how to deal with their emotions Feel safe and secure in their new classroom environment.	Self-Regulation - Identify their own differences to one another Able to talk about their feelings socially and emotionally To begin to understand how to look after others.	Self-Regulation - Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly - Set and work towards simple goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate - Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.

	Managing Self	Managing Self	Managing Self
	 - To use the equipment and resources independently or ask for help when needed. - To follow class rules and routines and understand the importance. 	- Able to stay calm when faced with frustration Showing resilience.	- Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge - Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly; - Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.
	Building Relationships - To solve conflicts with peers Supporting others children to build relationships.	Building Relationships - Taking turns and understanding why Understanding what makes a good friend.	Building Relationships - Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others - Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers - Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.
Physical Development	Gross Motor Skills -Different ways of moving around independently and with other children Using the outdoor equipment effectively such as the climbing frame Develop good personal hygiene including handwashing and toileting Develop skills such as throwing and catching, climbing, skipping, pull and push and using the balance bikes.	Gross Motor Skills - Develop ball skills in aiming, dribbling, pushing, throwing and catching, patting and kicking. - Develop dance skills and moving to the rhythm of the music. - Showing balance and agility in basic gymnastics.	Gross Motor Skills - Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others - Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing - Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.

		Fine Motor Skills - Using playdough to enhance fine motor skills - Threading, cutting and weaving. - Showing preference for a dominant hand. - Develop use of the tripod grip.	Fine Motor Skills - Encourage use of daily writing activities such as name writing. - Handle tools with increasing control. - Able to draw freely with good use of a tripod grip. - Using scissors with dominant hand. - Holding a pencil comfortably and writing recognisable letters mostly correctly formed.	Fine Motor Skills - Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing — using the tripod grip in almost all cases - Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paint brushes and cutlery - Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.
The four specific areas of learning and development	Literacy	Comprehension - Understands the five key concepts about print. - To learn and use new vocabulary. - To recall and discuss stories and information that has been read to them.	Comprehension -To understand what has been read to them and discuss and re-invent the story. - Knows that information can be relayed in different forms such as signs and symbols. - Shows awareness of rhyme and alliteration.	Comprehension - Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary. - Anticipate – where appropriate – key events in stories. - Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play.
The four specific dev	7	Word Reading - To develop phonemic awareness To link sounds to letters.	Word Reading - Hears and says the initial sounds in words. - Describes main story settings and principal characters in increasing detail.	Word Reading - Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.

	Writing - To begin to write recognisable letters most of which are correctly formed	Writing - Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds by writing a letter or letters.	Writing - Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.
Mathematics	Number - Explore numbers within 5. - To count objects, actions and sounds. - To subitise (recognise numbers when counting) number to 5. - To link number with the cardinal value. - To count beyond 10.	Number -Explore numbers within 10 Represent, order and compare number to 10 Explore addition and subtraction To understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers Explore number to 15.	Number - Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number - Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5 - Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.
2	Numerical Patterns - Matching equal and unequal sets To compare numbers Recognise, describe, copy and extend colour and size patterns Recognise numbers in the environment.	Numerical Patterns - Count objects to 15 and recognise different representations Compare length, weight and capacity Look at odd and even numbers.	Numerical Patterns - Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system - Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity - Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.

	Past and Present	Past and Present	Past and Present
	- Talk about family members and who they are in	- To understand what our family do as jobs and	- Talk about the lives of the people around them
	relation to them.	why.	and their roles in society
	- Talk about experiences with their family, what they do	- The people around us that can help us.	- Know some similarities and differences between
	with them and where they have been with them.	- Exploring the climate and environment	things in the past and now, drawing on their
	- To listen to stories about family and know the	around us.	experiences and what has been read in class
	difference between real and fiction.	- Exploring castles, kings and queens and how	- Understand the past through settings, characters
	- To know about ourselves and parts of the body.	we can relate this to the present.	and events encountered in books read in class and
	- Role play in a home setting.	We can relate this to the present.	storytelling.
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World	they were a baby.		
	- Links to different celebrations such as Bonfire Night,		
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ng	- Can talk about Christmas with their family and how		
ndi	they usually celebrate.		
Understanding the	People, Culture and Communities	People, Culture and Communities	People, Culture and Communities
ers	- To describe the environment around them.	- Link to various celebrations such as Bonfire	- Describe their immediate environment using
nd	- Look at maps and be able to locate their home.	Night, Diwali and Christmas.	knowledge from observation, discussion, stories,
_	- Explore what makes a family and how every family is	- Role play within a Christmas setting.	non-fiction texts and maps
	different.	- Explore cultural events.	- Know some similarities and differences between
		,	different religious and cultural communities in this
			country, drawing on their experiences and what
			has been read in class
			- Explain some similarities and differences
			between life in this country and life in other
			countries, drawing on knowledge from stories,
			non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps.

	The Natural World	The Natural World	The Natural World
	-To look at Autumn and what they can see What happens in Autumn to our surroundings and environment.	 Explore the different seasons and the changes over time. Look at climate change and how this effects the environment. Look at recycling and how we can ensure we take part in looking after the world. Indulge in outdoors using all of our senses to explore the natural world. 	- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants - Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class - Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.
Arts and Design	Creating with Materials - Create self portraits - Explore a range of textures and materials - Mixing colours - Autumnal colours - Fireworks - Listen to music and create own movements - Christmas Decorations	Creating with Materials - Creating Winter pictures and scenes - Creating Spring pictures and scenes - Flower Artwork	Creating with Materials - Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function - Share their creations, explaining the process they have used - Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.
Expressive A	Being Imaginative and Expressive - Singing and learning familiar songs such as nursery rhymes - Singing Christmas songs - Performing the nativity - Role play in the home corner/ Christmas - Small world play	Being Imaginative and Expressive - Chinese New Year songs - Easter songs	Being Imaginative and Expressive - Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher - Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs; Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.