

Pre-school long term plan 2025-2026

Autumn 1		Autumn 2		Spring 1		Spring 2		Summer 1		Summer 2	
This is me				The world around us				The world of Books			
Who are we? Meeting new people Drawing self-portrait My family and where I live Who is in my class? How do I make others feel?	What changes happen in Autumn? Changes to our trees and plants Changes to the weather Harvest Diwali/ Room on a Broom (Halloween)	Bears Fireworks/ bonfire night Hibernation of animals Nocturnal animals	Festivals and celebrations The Nativity Christmas	Winter Changes in weather Winter clothes Caring for birds Ice and water Winter animals	Journeys Maps How do we travel? Journey stories	Superheroes Real life super heroes People who help us Being healthy (doc, dentists) Fantasy heroes	Easter How do we celebrate Easter?	Growing plants Growing a beanstalk Life cycle of a plant Healthy foods	Lifecycles Life cycle of the frog and butterfly	Kings, Queens and Dragons Fantasy stories Our royal family Castles	Under the sea Sea animals Oceans Summer travel Sending a postcard
Core Text and texts linked to theme											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Super Duper you</li> <li>• Starting school texts</li> <li>• Titch</li> <li>• You Choose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The leaf thief</li> <li>• We're going on a leaf hunt</li> <li>• Tidy</li> <li>• Leaf Man</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paddington Bear</li> <li>• Whatever next</li> <li>• Brown bear brown bear..</li> <li>• Non-fiction</li> <li>• Winter wonderland adventure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas stories</li> <li>• The Jolly Santa</li> <li>• Dear Santa</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jack Frost</li> <li>• The Snow Thief</li> <li>• Snowball</li> <li>• The big freeze</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Gumpy's motor car</li> <li>• The hundred decker bus</li> <li>• The Gingerbread man</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Superhero like you</li> <li>• Supertato</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peter Rabbit</li> <li>• Easter hunt</li> <li>• We're going on an Egg hunt.</li> <li>• The rhyming rabbit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jack and the Beanstalk</li> <li>• Jasper's beanstalk</li> <li>• Eat your greens</li> <li>• Goldilocks</li> <li>• Oliver's vegetables/ fruit salad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The hungry Caterpillar</li> <li>• Monkey puzzle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The was an old dragon who swallowed a knight.</li> <li>• Zog</li> <li>• The kings pants</li> <li>• The Queens knickers</li> <li>• Katie in London</li> <li>• King Charles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Billy's bucket</li> <li>• The signing Mermaid</li> <li>• Commotion in the ocean</li> <li>• Sharing a shell</li> <li>• Tiddler</li> <li>• Lucy and Tom at the seaside</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>All About Me:</b></li> <li>• <i>From Head to Toe</i> by Eric Carle</li> <li>• <i>Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?</i> by Bill Martin Jr. &amp; Eric Carle (introduces colors and animals, can be linked to self-discovery)</li> <li>• <i>The Little Big Book of My First Words</i> (various authors/publishers - good for pointing out body parts, family, etc.)</li> <li>• <i>My Five Senses</i> by Alikei</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bears:</b></li> <li>• <i>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</i> by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury</li> <li>• <i>Peace at Last</i> by Jill Murphy (Mr. Bear)</li> <li>• <i>Paddington Bear</i> (any simple board book adaptation) by Michael Bond</li> <li>• <i>Corduroy</i> by Don Freeman</li> <li>• <i>The Bear Who Lost His Roar</i> by Russell Punter</li> <li>• <b>Christmas:</b></li> <li>• <i>The Jolly Christmas Postman</i> by Janet and Allan Ahlberg</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Winter:</b></li> <li>• <i>The Gruffalo's Child</i> by Julia Donaldson (winter setting)</li> <li>• <i>Snowy Day</i> by Ezra Jack Keats</li> <li>• <i>One Snowy Night</i> by Nick Butterworth (Percy the Park Keeper)</li> <li>• <i>Penguin</i> by Polly Dunbar</li> <li>• <i>Little Bear's Spring</i> by Elli Woollard</li> <li>• <b>Journeys:</b></li> <li>• <i>Rosie's Walk</i> by Pat Hutchins</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Superheroes:</b></li> <li>• <i>Supertato</i> by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet</li> <li>• <i>Ten Little Superheroes</i> by Mike Brownlow</li> <li>• <i>Even Superheroes Have Bad Days</i> by Shelly Becker</li> <li>• <i>Captain Comet and the Purple Planet</i> by Tony Bradman</li> <li>• <i>The Un-Fancy Dress Party</i> by Anna Kemp</li> <li>• <b>Easter:</b></li> <li>• <i>We're Going on an Egg Hunt</i> by Laura Hughes</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Growing Plants:</b></li> <li>• <i>Jack and the Beanstalk</i> (simplified version)</li> <li>• <i>The Tiny Seed</i> by Eric Carle</li> <li>• <i>Jaspers Beanstalk</i> by Nick Butterworth</li> <li>• <i>Planting a Rainbow</i> by Lois Ehlert</li> <li>• <i>The Enormous Turnip</i> (traditional tale)</li> <li>• <b>Being Healthy:</b></li> <li>• <i>Eating the Alphabet</i> by Lois Ehlert</li> <li>• <i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i> by Eric Carle (food and transformation)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Castles, Kings, Queens &amp; Dragons:</b></li> <li>• <i>The Princess and the Dragon</i> by Chris Wormell</li> <li>• <i>Zog</i> by Julia Donaldson</li> <li>• <i>The Paper Bag Princess</i> by Robert Munsch</li> <li>• <i>Mike the Knight and the Great Gallop</i> by Annie Owen</li> <li>• <i>There's a Dragon in Your Book</i> by Tom Fletcher</li> <li>• <b>Under the Sea:</b></li> <li>• <i>The Rainbow Fish</i> by Marcus Pfister</li> <li>• <i>Commotion in the Ocean</i> by Giles Andreae</li> </ul>	

- *We're All Wonders* by R.J. Palacio
- **Autumn:**
- *Leaf Man* by Lois Ehlert
- *Fletcher and the Falling Leaves* by Julia Rawlinson
- *Squirrel's New Year's Resolution* by Pat Miller
- *Ten Red Apples* by Pat Hutchins
- *We're Going on a Leaf Hunt* by Steve Metzger

- *Dear Santa* by Rod Campbell
- *Mog's Christmas* by Judith Kerr
- *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson
- *The Snowman* by Raymond Briggs

- *The Naughty Bus* by Jan and Rodger Priddy
- *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* by Mo Willems
- *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* by Dr. Seuss (simplified for nursery)
- *The Little Train* by Graham Greene

- *The Odd Egg* by Emily Gravett
- *Pete the Cat: Big Easter Adventure* by James Dean
- *The Easter Chick* by Geraldine Elschner
- *Happy Easter, Maisy!* by Lucy Cousins

- *Going to the Doctor* by Anne Civardi
- *Wash Your Hands!* by Tony Ross
- *My Healthy Day* by Jane Clarke
- **Life Cycles:**
- *The Very Busy Spider* by Eric Carle (focus on the spider's work/life)
- *Tadpole's Promise* by Jeanne Willis
- *Are You a Ladybug?* by Judy Allen (simple life cycle)
- *Butterfly, Butterfly* by Petr Horacek
- *From Egg to Chick* by Laura Godwin








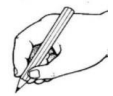
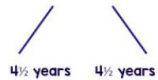
- *Oi Frog!* by Kes Gray and Jim Field (features some aquatic animals)
- *Hooray for Fish!* by Lucy Cousins
- *Octopus's Garden* by Ringo Starr (illustrated by Ben Cort)

## Wow Moments & Enrichment Experiences

Transition visits Developing friendships Making bread	Birthday party, make cakes Father Christmas visit, Nativity, Pantomime	<b>Making pancakes</b>	<b>People who help us visitors</b> <b>Egg hunt</b> <b>Mother days event</b>	Grow plants, hatch butterflies Butterfly release party Fruit Salad /Picnic Planting seeds	Transition  Songs and sea shanties Royal tea party Library visit
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## Key events

Birthdays- when is my Birthday? Harvest Meeting new friends	Christmas, Remembrance, bonfire night, Diwali, Advent, World nursery rhyme week, Black history month	Lunar New Year, Valentines Day Big bird watch	Shrove Tuesday, Mothers Day World book day Lent	Eid-al-Fitr St Georges day Earth day Pride Month	Transition Father's day
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Autumn	Spring		Summer
<p>*Sometimes giving meaning to marks *Developing preferences when mark making</p>	 <p><b>Cylindrical grasp (whole hand)</b></p>	 <p><b>Digital grasp</b></p>	 <p><b>Modified tripod grasp</b></p>
 <p><b>Prewriting shapes</b></p>	 <p><b>Prewriting shapes</b></p>	 <p><b>Prewriting shapes</b></p>	 <p><b>Prewriting shapes</b></p>
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