



Birchwood Primary School

Class plan - Reception Cycle A



Do you want to be friends?

Physical education



Why do squirrels hide their nuts?

Understanding the world



Where does snow go?

Understanding the world



Are all dinosaurs the same size?

Mathematics



Why do ladybirds have spots?







Understanding the world















Why do zebras have stripes?

Understanding the world

Planned term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key Texts	Have you filled a bucket today? (Carol McCloud) Goldilocks and the Three Bears (Talk for Writing)	The Busy Little Squirrel (Nancy Tafuri) Bear Snores On (Karma Wilson) The Little Red Hen (Talk for Writing)	Penguin and Cupcake (Ashley Spires) Snowflakes (Cerrie Burnell) We're going on a bear hunt (Talk for Writing)	Harry and his Bucket Full of Dinosaurs (Ian Whybrow) Tyrannosaurus Drip (Julia Donaldson) The Three Billy Goats Gruff (Talk for Writing)	Mad about minibeasts (Giles Andreae) The Very Hungry Caterpillar (Eric Carle) Jack and the Beanstalk (Talk for Writing)	The Lion who wanted to love (Giles Andreae) Mama Pamyas Pancakes (Mary and Rich Chamberlin) The Tiger Who Came to Tea (Judith Kerr) Handers Surprise (Talk for Writing)

						
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Provocation Starter	Go for a walk around the school. Ask different members of staff to introduce themselves to the children and show them where they work.	Arrange a visit to a local wood so that the children can observe the sights, sounds and smells of the Autumn environment	Kipper arrives in a package and wants to know about the cold weather and Arctic/Antarctic. Children to visit Snowdome to show Kipper what snow is like.	Children arrive to find a big egg and dinosaur footprints around the classroom	Package arrives with minibeast hunt objects and snail visitors arrive.	Class Puppet brings in a suitcase of souvenirs from different countries
Exciting Outcome	Teddy Bears Picnic	Autumn Smoothies	Chinese New Year Lion Dancers	Dinosaur Expert Talks	Growing own beanstalks	Visit to the zoo
Visits out		Kingsbury Water Park	Snowdome			Twycross Zoo
Visitors in			Chinese New Year Lion Dancers		Minibeast Expert	
Visit to a place of worship						Dordon Church







						
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English (Explicit)	Oral retelling of a story Name writing Thank you cards	Oral retelling of a story Name writing Curly caterpillar letters Labels	T4W - We're going on a bear hunt Oral retelling of story	Oral retelling of a story Dinosaur adjectives Comparing dinosaurs Poetry Fiction / Non-fiction	Mad about Minibeasts Jack and the beanstalk t4w Characters, setting, problem, solution Changing character/setting	The Lion who wanted love Handa's Surprise t4w Characters, setting, problem, solution Changing character/setting
English (Incidental Opportunities)	Variety of mark making opportunities	Variety of mark making opportunities	Variety of mark making opportunities	Variety of mark making opportunities Wanted Posters Fact Files	Variety of mark making opportunities Shopping lists, labels, letters	Variety of mark making opportunities Recipes/Instructions
Mathematics (Explicit)	Early Number (Number Nursery Rhymes) Pattern Numbers within 6	Numbers within 6 Measures Shape and Sorting Calendar/Time	Numbers within 10 Addition/Subtraction within 10 Prepositions (Bear Hunt)	Sorting Length/height/weight Numbers 0-10 Counting in 2s	Shape and pattern Addition and subtraction within 10 Money Measures Counting in 5's and 10's	Depth of numbers within 10 Number Bonds







					
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Mathematics (Let's Investigate)			Reading temperature (ongoing)	Sorting Estimating Positional Language Ordinal Language	Minibeast Legs Investigation	Fruit Investigation
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Understanding the world (Science)	People who help us Senses Similarities and differences	Seasonal Changes Harvest Similarities and Differences	Freezing and melting Snow Small World Similarities and Differences	Size of dinosaurs Dinosaurs diet (herbivore/carnivore) Paleontologist Dinosaur Expert Talks	Insectarium Make own bug hotel Growing	Floating and sinking
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Understanding the World (Communities/Geography/History)	People who help us Geography history	Seasons Cultural similarities and differences	Seasonal changes Early Map skills Cultural similarities and differences	Seasonal Changes Landscapes Create own 'dinoscape'	Seasonal changes	Key features of our local environment Following a simple map Cultural similarities and differences
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Expressive Arts and Design (Art/DT) Self-portraits Transient art Salt Dough Hearts Conker Creatures Autumn Potions Leaf Mobiles Playdough Hedgehogs Transient Art Frozen Ice Castle Building dens Story maps Bear Caves Dinosaur Cave / Museum Cafe Paper Plate Dinosaurs Excavating Papier Mache Volcano Natural world observation work Matisse's Snail African art, patterns, tribal masks						
Expressive Arts and Design (Music and Dance) Exploring a variety of percussion instruments Playing names using musical instruments Singing of classroom songs/nursery rhymes/phonics songs Animal Movements Using instruments to make music Autumn/woodland sounds Cosmic Kids Yoga Using instruments to make music Chinese New Year dancing Nursery rhymes and songs Cosmic Kids Yoga Instruments for retelling the story Nursery Rhymes and songs Let's Move Podcast Playing instruments with control/continuity and creating own patterns Growing songs Let's Move Podcast African Music and dance instruments to accompany songs Growing songs and songs from other cultures Let's Move Podcast						
Food Open top banana sandwich Gingerbread Biscuits (Xmas Fair) Fruit Lollies Herbivore Salad Easter Chocolate Nests Fruit Kebabs						

     						
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Personal, social and emotional developmentForming friendshipsSettling into schoolUnderstanding rules and routinesOnline Safety						
Sharing Protective BehavioursFeelingsForming friendshipsTeam workFeelingsTrying new things (food tasting)Taking turns and sharingGrowing and changeMoving on						
SMSC and British ValuesCelebrating differencesSharingCelebrating differencesSharingCelebrating differencesSharingCelebrating differencesSharingCelebrating differencesSharing						
RECelebrating differences (appearance, families, likes, dislikes)Bonfire NightDiwaliChristmasChinese New YearEasterCaring for things and being thankfulCare and concern for animalsVisiting a local church						

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Physical development	Variety of differentiated bikes and scooters. Trim Trail. Funky fingers activities. All other continuous provision learning activities Getting changed. Safe use of hall space	Variety of differentiated bikes and scooters. Trim Trail. Funky fingers activities. All other continuous provision learning activities Healthy Movers	Variety of differentiated bikes and scooters. Trim Trail. Funky fingers activities. All other continuous provision learning activities Healthy Movers	Variety of differentiated bikes and scooters. Trim Trail. Funky fingers activities. All other continuous provision learning activities Healthy Movers	Variety of differentiated bikes and scooters. Trim Trail. Funky fingers activities. All other continuous provision learning activities Throwing, catching, striking - Top Score	Variety of differentiated bikes and scooters. Trim Trail. Funky fingers activities. All other continuous provision learning activities Sports Day Practice - Athletics, Team Games (Top Score)
Now Press Play	People who help us Goldilocks	Christmas Story	Weather	Dinosaurs	Minibeasts Jack and the Beanstalk	Seaside