Birchwood Primary School Medium term plan - Reception Cycle A

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Planned term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key Texts	Have you filled a bucket today? Goldilocks and the Three Bears (Talk for Writing)	The Busy Little Squirrel Bear Snores On The Little Red Hen (Talk for Writing)	Kippers Snowy Day Snow is my favourite and my best Snowflakes	Harry and his Bucket Full of Dinosaurs Tyrannosaurus Drip Harry and the Dinosaurs at the Museum The Three Billy Goats Gruff (Talk for Writing)		
Provocation Starter	Go for a walk around the school.	Arrange a visit to a local wood so that	Kipper arrives in a package and wants	Children arrive to find a big egg and	Minibeast safari	African dance

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	Ask different members of staff to introduce themselves to the children and show them where they work.	the children can observe the sights, sounds and smells of the Autumn environment	to know about the cold weather and Arctic/Antarctic. Children to visit Snowdome to show Kipper what snow is like.	dinosaur footprints around the classroom		
Exciting Outcome	Teddy Bears Picnic	Squirrel's winter muffins	Nice ices!	Dinosaur Expert Talks	Butterfly garden	Amazing animals!
Visits out		Kingsbury Water Park	Snowdome			
Visitors in			Chinese New Year Lion Dancers			
Visit to a place of worship						

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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	Oral retelling of a story Dinosaur adjectives Comparing dinosaurs	Fiction / Poetry Fiction / Non- fiction	Reading; Writing	Reading; Writing
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		
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 Numbers within 15	Shape, space and measure Number 0 - 20	Numbers; Shape, space and measures	Numbers; Shape, space and measures
Mathematics (Let's Investigate)				Measure (tall/ short) Sorting Estimating		

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				Positional Language Ordinal Numbers		
Understanding the world (Science)	People who help us Senses Similarities and differences	Seasonal Changes Harvest Similarities and Differences	The world; Technology	Size of dinosaurs Dinosaurs diet (herbivore/ carnivore) Palaeontologist Dinosaur Expert Talks Floating and Sinking	The world; Technology	People and communities; The world; Technology
Understanding the World (Communities/ Geography/ History)	People who help us Family history			Landscapes (Dinoscape)		
Expressive Arts and Design (Art/	Self-portraits Transient art Salt	Conker Creatures Autumn Potions	Exploring and using media and	Dinosaur Cave / Museum Cafe	Exploring and using media and	Exploring and using media and

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DT)	Dough Hearts	Leaf Mobiles Playdough Hedgehogs	materials; Being imaginative	Paper Plate Dinosaurs Excavating Papier Mache Volcano	materials; Being imaginative	materials; Being imaginative
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 Autumn/ woodland animal sounds		BBC time to move Instruments for retelling the story		
Food	Open top banana sandwich	Gingerbread Biscuits (Xmas Fair)	Fruit Lollies	Herbivore Salad		
Personal, social	Forming	Sharing Protective	Making	Feelings Trying	Self-confidence	Self-confidence

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and emotional development	friendships Settling into school Understanding rules and routines	Behaviours	relationships	new things (food tasting) Taking turns and sharing	and self- awareness; Managing feelings and behaviour; Making relationships	and self- awareness; Managing feelings and behaviour; Making relationships
SMSC and British Values	Celebrating differences	Sharing				
RE	Celebrating differences (appearance, families, likes, dislikes)	Bonfire Night Diwali Christmas	Chinese New Year	Easter		
Physical development	Cutting Threading Manipulating playdough	Balancing Imitating animal movements	Healthy Movers Cosmic Kids Yoga	Threading Balancing	Moving and handling	Moving and handling

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Now Press Play	People who help us Goldilocks	Weather		Dinosaurs		
Understanding the World						

(Technology)