



Curriculum map – Early Years – Oaks

Topic title	Autum 1 All About Me	Autumn 2 Favourite Stories	Spring 1 Toys	Spring 2 Plants, Animals and Dinosaurs	Summer 1 Journeys	Summer 2 Space
Understanding the World	Myself and my family My body and senses	Recalling events from our past Sequencing a simple rhyme	Forces- Magnets, push/pull How things work-wind up, batteries Remote control Recognising differences in how we celebrate	Life cycles Animals in their natural environment Plant seeds Showing respect and care for the natural environment and living things	Exploring materials and their properties- floating and sinking Comparing environments Understanding and respecting difference	Properties of materials Material changes Light and dark
Expressive Arts and Design	Exploring music and sounds Portraits Action rhymes and songs- Head, shoulders, knees and toes, I've got a body, This is my head la,la,la,la,la,la,	Making models Making music Representative play	Sound makers Developing imagination through play- Teddy Bears Picnic	Investigating and manipulating materials Creating collaboratively Using natural resources in our own creations Performing	Moving to music Expressing thoughts and feelings Beginning to play instruments	Small world play Responding to different styles of music Space music – the Planets Suite by Holst Colour mixing- stars Marbling/bubble painting planets
Physical Development	Spatial awareness Music and movement Our bodies in space, balance, safety	Using large equipment- gym and bikes Revisiting fundamental skills of balancing, safety, and coordination	Fundamental skills Running, jumping, coordination, throwing, catching, kicking, striking	Dance Revisiting the fundamental skills and spatial awareness Moving fluently Rolling paper- Make telescopes	Team games Revisiting fundamental skills- throwing, catching, kicking and striking	Athletics Revisiting the fundamental skills of running, jumping, throwing and coordination
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Settling in Routines/boundaries Our school environment Forming relationships with key adults	Understanding how others are feeling Learn how to compromise and resolve conflict Challenging myself Understanding it's okay to be different	Building relationships Making friends and learning how to play side by side Asking for and accepting help Share favourite toy from home	Learning how to manage our feelings Becoming more independent Developing personal hygiene including looking after our teeth	Playing cooperatively Understanding our feelings Working together to achieve a goal Winning and losing	Facing challenges / transitions Building confidence, resilience, and perseverance Keeping safe Making healthy choices
Numerical Patterns	Time 'Now and next' Visual timetable	Measurement Length, weight, capacity, size	Shape Exploring 2D shape Shape pictures	Pattern Patterns in the environment Continue, copy, and create patterns	Position and direction Following a route Positional language	Shape / Money Exploring 3D shape Building rockets/junk modeling Role-play shops



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Literacy	Class Photobooks My Mum Is Fantastic by Nick Butterworth My Dad Is Brilliant by Nick Butterworth The Family Book by Todd Parr	Room On a Broom Zog Gruffalo Gruffalo’s Child Meg and Mog	Where’s My Teddy by Jez Alborough – Dogger, , The Toys Party, Kipper’s Toybox, Where’s My Teddy? This is the Bear. Non-fiction books - How Toys Work, Moving Toys and Toys from the Past.	Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs Dear Zoo The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle The Hungry Caterpillar	Who Sank the Boat? By Pamela Allen Maisy Goes on a Plane- Lucy Cousins We all go Travelling by Barefoot Singalong	Aliens Love Underpants by Clare Freedman Whatever Next by Jill Murphy Zoom Rocket Zoom by Margaret Mayo Way Back Home by Francis Jeffers
Festivals		Christmas	Chinese New Year- 10 th February 2024			

Maths is a stand-alone subject and therefore not included in this overview.