





## Reading in Early Years Foundation Stage

Reading: Word Reading				
Phonics and Decoding				
Birth to three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Literacy		<ul> <li>Notice some print, such as the first letter of their name, a bus or door number, or a familiar logo.</li> <li>Enjoy sharing books with an adult.</li> <li>Pay attention and respond to the pictures or the words.</li> <li>Have favourite books and seek them out, to share with an adult, with another child, or to look at alone.</li> </ul>	
Three and Four- Year-Olds will be learning to:	Literacy		<ul> <li>Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can:</li> <li>Spot and suggest rhymes</li> <li>Count or clap syllables in words</li> <li>Recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother</li> </ul>	
Children in Reception will be learning to:	Literacy		<ul> <li>Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them.</li> <li>Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of letter-sound correspondences.</li> <li>Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them.</li> <li>Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.</li> </ul>	
ELG	Literacy Word Reading		<ul> <li>Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs.</li> <li>Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by soundblending.</li> <li>Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.</li> </ul>	
Common Exception Words				
Children in Reception will be learning to:	Literacy		Read a few common exception words (red words) matched to the school's phonic programme (RWI).	

Fluency			
Birth to three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Literacy		<ul> <li>Enjoy sharing books with an adult.</li> <li>Repeat words and phrases from familiar stories</li> </ul>
Three and Four- Year-Olds will be learning to:	Literacy		<ul> <li>Understand the five key concepts about print:</li> <li>print has meaning</li> <li>print can have different purposes</li> <li>we can read English text from left to right and from top to bottom</li> <li>the names of different parts of a book</li> <li>page sequencing</li> <li>Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can:</li> <li>spot and suggest rhymes</li> <li>count or clap syllables in words</li> <li>recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother</li> </ul>
Children in Reception will be learning to:	Literacy		<ul> <li>Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of letter-sound correspondences.</li> <li>Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.</li> <li>Re-read books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment.</li> </ul>
ELG	Literacy	Reading	<ul> <li>Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.</li> </ul>

Reading: Comprehension  Understanding and Correcting Inaccuracies			
Birth to three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Literacy	Pay attention and respond to the pictures or the words.	
Three and Four- Year-Olds will be learning to:	Communication and Language	<ul> <li>Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens.</li> <li>Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"</li> <li>Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions.</li> </ul>	
	Literacy	Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.	

Children in Reception will be learning to:	Communication and Language		<ul> <li>Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.</li> <li>Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words.</li> <li>Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound.</li> <li>Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.</li> </ul>	
ELG	Literacy	Comprehension	<ul> <li>Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary.</li> <li>Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories.</li> <li>Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.</li> </ul>	
	Understanding the World	Past and Present	<ul> <li>Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class;</li> <li>Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.</li> </ul>	
		People, Culture and Communities	<ul> <li>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;</li> </ul>	
		The Natural World	<ul> <li>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;</li> </ul>	
Comparing, Contrasting and Commenting				
Birth to three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Literacy		Ask questions about the book. Make comments and shares their own ideas.	
Three and Four- Year-Olds will be learning to:	Communication and Language		Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions.	
Children in Reception will be learning to:	Understanding the World		Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.	

ELG	ELG Communication and Language		<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
		Speaking	<ul> <li>Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non- fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.</li> </ul>
	Understanding the World	Past and Present People, Culture and Communities The Natural World	<ul> <li>Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class;</li> <li>Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.</li> </ul>
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Words in Conte	xt and Authorial Choice		
Birth to three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Literacy		Repeat words and phrases from familiar stories.
Three and Four-	Communication and Language		Use a wider range of vocabulary.
Year-Olds will be learning to:	Literacy		Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.
Children in Reception will be learning to:			<ul> <li>Learn new vocabulary.</li> <li>Use new vocabulary throughout the day.</li> <li>Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words.</li> <li>Use new vocabulary in different contexts.</li> <li>Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.</li> </ul>
ELG	Communication and Language	Speaking	Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.

	Literacy	Comprehension	<ul> <li>Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary.</li> <li>Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.</li> </ul>
Inference and P	rediction		
Birth to three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:			Listen to simple stories and understand what is happening, with the help of the pictures.
Three and Four- Year-Olds will be learning to:	Communication and Language		Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"
Children in Reception will be learning to:			Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen.
ELG	Communication and Language	Speaking	Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non- fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.
	Literacy	Comprehension	Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories.

Poetry and Performance			
Birth to Three – babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Expressive Arts and Design	Enjoy and take part in action songs, such as 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'.	
Three and Four- Year-Olds will be learning to:	Communication and Language	<ul> <li>Sing a large repertoire of songs.</li> <li>Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story.</li> </ul>	

Children in Reception will be learning to:			<ul> <li>Engage in non-fiction books.</li> <li>Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.</li> </ul>
Non-Fiction			
	Expressive Arts and Design	Creating with Materials  Being Imaginative and Expressive	<ul> <li>Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.</li> <li>Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with their peers and their teacher.</li> <li>Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time to music.</li> </ul>
ELG	Expressive Arts and Design  Literacy Comprehension		<ul> <li>Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.</li> <li>Develop storylines in their pretend play.</li> <li>Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and</li> </ul>
Children in Reception will be learning to:	Communication and Language		<ul> <li>Engage in story times.</li> <li>Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words.</li> <li>Learn rhymes, poems and songs.</li> </ul>
	Expressive Arts and Design		<ul> <li>Take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar.</li> <li>Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses, etc.</li> <li>Remember and sing entire songs.</li> <li>Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match').</li> <li>Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down and down and up) of familiar songs.</li> <li>Create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know.</li> </ul>

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	Literacy	Comprehension	<ul> <li>Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.</li> </ul>
Year 1	Reading – Word re Pupils should be ta	ught to:	<ul> <li>Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words</li> <li>Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, where applicable, alternative sounds for graphemes</li> <li>Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught</li> <li>Read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word</li> <li>Read words containing taught GPCs and -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and -est endings</li> <li>Read other words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs</li> <li>Read words with contractions [for example, I'm, I'll, we'll], and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s)</li> <li>Read books aloud, accurately, that are consistent with their developing phonic knowledge and that do not require them to use other strategies to work out words</li> <li>Reread these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading</li> <li>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and</li> </ul>
	Pupils should be ta		<ul> <li>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocability and understanding by:</li> <li>Listening to and discussing a wide range of poems, stories and nonfiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently</li> <li>Being encouraged to link what they read or hear to their own experiences</li> <li>Becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics</li> <li>Recognising and joining in with predictable phrases</li> <li>Learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart</li> <li>Discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to those already known</li> <li>Understand both the books they can already read accurately and fluently and those they listen to by:</li> <li>Drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher</li> <li>Checking that the text makes sense to them as they read, and correcting inaccurate reading</li> <li>Discussing the significance of the title and events</li> <li>Making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done</li> <li>Predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far</li> </ul>

- Participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say
- Explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them