

Understanding the World		
Birth to 3		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repeat actions that have an effect.</li> <li>Explore materials with different properties.</li> <li>Explore natural materials, indoors and outside.</li> <li>Explore and respond to different natural phenomena in their setting and on trips.</li> <li>Make connections between the features of their family and other families.</li> <li>Notice differences between people.</li> </ul>		
3 to 4		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.</li> <li>Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties.</li> <li>Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.</li> <li>Begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history.</li> <li>Show interest in different occupations.</li> <li>Explore how things work.</li> <li>Plant seeds and care for growing plants.</li> <li>Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal.</li> <li>Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.</li> <li>Explore and talk about different forces they can feel.</li> <li>Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice.</li> <li>Continue to develop positive attitudes about the differences between people.</li> <li>Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos.</li> </ul>		
Reception		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about members of their immediate family and community.</li> <li>Name and describe people who are familiar to them.</li> <li>Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.</li> <li>Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.</li> <li>Draw information from a simple map.</li> <li>Understand that some places are special to members of their community.</li> <li>Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.</li> <li>Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.</li> <li>Explore the natural world around them.</li> <li>Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.</li> <li>Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live.</li> <li>Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.</li> </ul>		
Past and Present	People, Culture and Communities	Natural World
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.</li> <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> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.</li> <li>Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.</li> <li>Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on</li> </ul>

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<p>Past and present</p> <p>Historical events and stories</p> <p>Religious and culture similarities and differences</p> <p>Use of maps – study their local environment and the wider world</p> <p>Natural processes and changes</p> <p>Natural world and recording these through drawings</p> <p>Age appropriate texts to encourage discussion about past and present</p> <p>Texts and maps available</p> <p>Trips, walks and visitors to develop the children’s understanding of the local area</p> <p>Roles and lives of people around them and different culture and communities</p>		