



Reception Topic 1 Overview

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	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
Personal, Social and Emotional Development Jigsaw – Being Me	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	To understand how it feels to belong and that they are similar and different To take part it getting to know you games	To start to recognise and manage their feelings To learn each other's names	To enjoy working with others to make school a good place to be	To understand why it is good to be kind and use gentle hands	To know their responsibilities in school
Vertical links			To become more outgoing with unfamiliar people To show more confidence in social situations	To develop a sense of responsibility and membership in a community	To find solutions to conflicts To play with other children	To talk with others to solve conflicts	
Horizontal links				To learn new vocabulary To articulate ideas and thoughts		To use talk to help work out problems	





Communication and Language	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	To understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important To engage in story times	To understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important To engage in story times	To learn and use new vocabulary	To learn and use new vocabulary To listen to and talk about non-fiction books	To learn and use new vocabulary To listen to and talk about non-fiction books
Vertical links			To use large muscle movement safely	To use and remember sequences of movement to music To use one handed equipment	To use and remember sequences of movements to music To use one handed equipment	To use and remember sequences of movements to music To use one handed equipment	To use and remember sequences of movements to music
Horizontal links					To find solutions to conflicts	To find solutions to conflicts	





Physical Development PE – Dance	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	To develop an understanding of spatial awareness To develop an awareness of safe use of classroom equipment (large construction inside and out) Dough disco – To develop hand and finger strength for writing	To develop the ability to adapt a known dance To develop use of one-handed tools such as spoons and scissors Dough disco – To develop hand and finger strength for writing	To develop the ability to share ideas about how to adapt a dance To develop use of one-handed tools such as spoons and scissors Dough disco – To develop hand and finger strength for writing	To develop the ability to change movements and adapt a simple dance To develop use of one-handed tools such as spoons and scissors Dough disco – To develop hand and finger strength for writing	To develop the ability to change movements and adapt a simple dance Dough disco – To develop hand and finger strength for writing
Vertical links			To continue to develop their movement and balancing To use large scale movements to wave flags and streamers To skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues	To continue to develop their movement and balancing To use large scale movements to wave flags and streamers To skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues	To continue to develop their movement and balancing To use large scale movements to wave flags and streamers To skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues	To continue to develop their movement and balancing To use large scale movements to wave flags and streamers To skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues	To continue to develop their movement and balancing To use large scale movements to wave flags and streamers To skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues
Horizontal links			To understand how to listen and why listening is important To progress towards a fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace To develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently	To understand how to listen and why listening is important To progress towards a fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace To develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently	To understand how to listen and why listening is important To progress towards a fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace To develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently	To understand how to listen and why listening is important To progress towards a fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace To develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently	To understand how to listen and why listening is important To progress towards a fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace To develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently





Literacy	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	RWI To begin to recognise, write and say the set 1 sounds Writing To spell words by identifying the sounds	RWI To begin to recognise, write and say the set 1 sounds. Writing To spell words by identifying the sounds	RWI To begin to recognise, write and say the set 1 sounds To begin to blend sounds into words Writing To spell words by identifying the sounds To begin to form a sentence	RWI To begin to recognise, write and say the set 1 sounds To begin to blend sounds into words Writing To spell words by identifying the sounds To begin to form a sentence	RWI To begin to recognise, write and say the set 1 sounds To begin to blend sounds into words Writing To spell words by identifying the sounds To begin to form a sentence
Vertical links				To recognise words with the same initial sound To use some of their print and letter knowledge in early writing To write some letters accurately	To recognise words with the same initial sound To use some of their print and letter knowledge in early writing To write some letters accurately	To recognise words with the same initial sound To use some of their print and letter knowledge in early writing To write some letters accurately	To recognise words with the same initial sound To use some of their print and letter knowledge in early writing To write some letters accurately
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Mathematics	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	To be able to match, sort and compare	To be able to match, sort and compare	To be able to talk about measure and patterns	To be able to represent numbers 1, 2 and 3	To be able to represent numbers 1, 2 and 3
Vertical links			To compare qualities using 'more than' and 'fewer than'	To compare qualities using 'more than' and 'fewer than'		To be able to link numerals and amounts up to 5	To be able to link numerals and amounts up to 5
Horizontal links							





Understanding the World	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	To describe who is in their family and ask questions	To understand there are many different types of families	To express what they have experienced in the past with their family	To understand how homes, schools and transport were different in the past	To understand how homes, schools and transport were different in the past
Vertical links				To develop a positive attitude about the differences between people	To begin to make sense of their own life story and family history		
Horizontal links			To ask questions to understand	To ask questions to understand	To describe events in some detail		





Expressive Arts and Design	Home visits and staggered starts	Staggered starts and Baseline assessments	To develop storylines in pretend play To sing in a group, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody (Pat a Cake, Name Song)	To develop storylines in pretend play To sing in a group, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody (1,2,3,4,5)	To understand how colours can be mixed To use a variety of materials to construct with To know different techniques for joining materials To sing in a group, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody (This Old Man)	To understand how colours can be mixed To use a variety of materials to construct with To know different techniques for joining materials To sing in a group, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody (Five Little Ducks)	To explore different music from around the world To sing in a group, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody (Things for Fingers)
Vertical links			To begin to develop complex stories using different equipment To remember and sing entire songs	To begin to develop complex stories using different equipment To remember and sing entire songs	To explore colour and colour mixing To explore different materials freely To remember and sing entire songs	To explore colour and colour mixing To explore different materials freely To remember and sing entire songs	To listen and respond to what we have heard To remember and sing entire songs
Horizontal links			To become more outgoing with unfamiliar people To show more confidence in social situations To listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound	To ask questions to understand To listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound	To use one handed equipment To listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound	To use one handed equipment To listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound	To listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound

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