

## Reception Class Term 2 Curriculum Overview 2024-2025

Barton	
Term	Autumn 2
Theme	Let's Celebrate
Focus Topic	Celebrations, Autumn, Light and Dark
Key Events	Remembrance Day, Diwali, Bonfire night, Nativity, Christmas, Visit to the Church
Literacy -	Retelling of stories. Editing of story maps and orally retelling new stories. Sequence story – use vocabulary of beginning, middle and end. Blend sounds into words, so that they can
Comprehension	read short words made up of known letter—sound correspondences. Enjoys an increasing range of books. Actions to retell the story. Story Maps.
Literacy Word Reading	Begin to read words by sound blending. Phonic Sounds: Reading: Blending CVC sounds, knows that print is read from left to right. Spotting diagraphs in words. Show children how to touch each finger as they say each sound.
Literacy - Writing	Writing CVC words. Name writing. Labelling using initial sounds. Story scribing. Retelling stories in writing area. Sequencing the story. Practising correct letter formation.
Mathematics	Numbers within 5: Number bonds to 5. Count up to five objects. One more and one fewer. Order numbers 1 to 5. Addition and subtraction within 5: Explore zero. Addition and subtraction to 5. Measures: Estimate, order compare, discuss and explore capacity, weight and lengths. Shape and Sorting: Describe, and sort 2-D & 3-D shapes. Describe position. Seasons. Sequencing daily events.
Communication and Language	Communication and Language is developed throughout the year through high quality speaking and listening interactions, daily group discussions, sharing circles, PSHE sessions, story sessions and singing.
	Links to festivals children's experiences, talking about shared experiences. Songs – Nativity and Christmas songs. Listening to stories and developing vocabulary. Good listening skills. Sharing weekend news.
Physical Development	Gross Motor Skills:  Ball skills- throwing and catching. Crates play- climbing. Skipping ropes in outside area, dance related activities.  A range of wheeled resources for children to balance, sit or ride on, or pull and push. Two-wheeled balance bikes and pedal bikes.  Fine Motor Skills:  Daily name/CVC writing activities. Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Finger Gym activities. Develop muscle tone. Use tools to effect changes to materials. Show preference for
	dominant hand. Correct letter formation.  Managing Self: Getting on and falling out. How to deal with anger Emotions. Self – Confidence. Build constructive and respectful relationships.
RE	Christmas What is Christmas? Christianity
Understanding the World	Past and Present Links to festivals: Bonfire night, Diwali, Christmas. Can talk about what they have done with their families during the weekend. Christmas' in the past. How Christmas used to be celebrated in the past. World maps to show where some stories are based. The Jolly Postman to draw information from a map and begin to understand why maps are so important to postmen.
Understanding the World	People, Culture and Communities Links to festivals: Bonfire night, Diwali, Christmas, Role play – Christmas home scene. Cultural Events – Halloween (Trick or Treat), Bonfire Night, Remembrance Sunday, Christmas, Diwali.
Understanding the World	The Natural World  Exploring light and dark. How can we see in the dark? Exploring Space. How can we get to Space? Introduce the children to NASA and astronauts.  Nocturnal animals – making sense of habitats. Which animals are nocturnal?
Expressive Arts and	Creating with Materials: Drawing and painting
Design	Linking colours to festivals. Firework pictures. Rocket models. Begin to colour in-between lines. Christmas decorations, Christmas cards, Divas.  To construct with a purpose in mind
Evnyaggiva Auts and	Being Imaginative and Expressive: Rhythm
Expressive Arts and Design	Singing songs and learning some familiar songs – Christmas songs. Performing the Nativity. Role-play  Listen to music and make their own dances in response. Play along with a rhythm