

Physical Development

The children will develop their gross and fine motor skills through ball games, dance and Let's Get Moving activities, as well as imaginative play through Wildlife Explorers. Fine motor skills will be strengthened through cutting, sticking, drawing, mark making, play dough activities and sewing/threading, alongside creative fun such as making shakers.

Maths

In Maths, the children will be building their number understanding through **White Rose Maths (WRM)**, exploring numbers to 20 and beyond, *How Many Now?*, and learning to manipulate, compose, and decompose numbers. Learning will be supported through Cornerstones links and creative activities such as exploring African patterns.

Communication and Language

The children will develop their listening, speaking and understanding skills by asking and answering questions, sharing ideas, and offering explanations. Through themes such as Wildlife Explorers and All Around the World, they will explore maps, simple instructions and greetings in different languages. Children will enjoy retelling and sequencing stories with props and developing storylines in their pretend play, exploring animals and habitats.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



In Personal, Social and Emotional Development, the children will focus on self-regulation, managing self, and building positive relationships. Through Let's Play activities and role play, they will practice playing cooperatively, sharing and taking turns. Our **Jigsaw – Relationships** sessions will help children talk about feelings, friendships, and how to be kind and respectful to others.

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Expressive Arts and Design

In Expressive Arts and Design, the children will explore creating with materials and being imaginative and expressive. They will enjoy singing the *Say Hello* song, designing animal masks, experimenting with Aboriginal-inspired art, creating upcycled artwork and learning simple weaving techniques. These activities encourage creativity, self-expression and lots of hands-on fun!

Understanding the World

In Understanding the World, the children will explore the past and present, learn about people, cultures, and communities and discover the natural world. Through themes such as Postcards from Around the World, they will learn where we live, where the UK is and explore countries using globes, maps, digital mapping and Google Earth. Children will investigate animals and their habitats, different climates, flags, foods and buildings from around the world, while also learning how to look after our planet through recycling and reusing.

Literacy

In Literacy, the children will be developing their comprehension, word reading and writing skills through a rich selection of stories. We will enjoy sharing books such as *Penguin on Holiday*, *All Are Welcome*, *Under the Same Sky*, and *Clean Up*, alongside Stories from Around the World and *Our World – First Book of Geography*. Phonics learning will continue through **Phase 3 and Phase 4**, helping to build confidence with sounds, blending and reading.



