

EYFS Vocabulary Progression



Characteristics of Effective Teaching and Learning

(link to WAC topics - We are Explorers, We are Creators, We are Thinkers)

Playing and Exploring

Pre-School	Reception
play, explore, try, find, look, touch, taste, feel, pretend, imagine, new, discover, game, fun, make, build	investigate, curious, problem, solve, create, experiment, pretend, explore, guess, question, try, make, new, game, learn

Creating and Thinking Critically

Pre-School	Reception
think, idea, plan, choose, try, problem, fix, decide, change, make, build, question, why, how, if, what	analyse, plan, decide, solution, question, idea, improve, create, think, strategy, experiment, solve, understand, change, test

Active Learners

Pre-School	Reception
try, keep going, finish, work, do, happy, proud, help, start, stop, hard, easy, do it, again, fun, enjoy	focus, concentrate, keep trying, achieve, goal, happy, proud, work hard, finish, effort, succeed, challenge, practice, improve, accomplish

Subject: English (Reading and Writing)

Pre-School	Reception
Comprehension: book, story, page, picture, read, listen, look, word, letters, alphabet, cover, title, author, library, share, talk Word reading: phonics, sound, letter, word, rhyme, read, hear, say, look, flashcards, alphabet, sound mat, initial sound, final sound, middle sound Writing: letter, word, sentence, full stop, capital letter, story map, 5-part story vocabulary: Once upon a time, First, Then, Next, Finally	Comprehension: title, front cover, illustration, story, page, characters, main characters, setting, plot, beginning, middle, end, predict/guess, describe, retell, fiction, non-fiction Word reading: phonics, phoneme, grapheme, digraph, trigraph, blend, segment, syllable, alphabet, rhyme, alliteration, initial, real, nonsense, consonant, vowel, CVC, letter, word, 'tricky' word, sound mat, sentence, text, punctuation, capital letter, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark Writing: finger spaces, letter, word, sentence, full stops, capital letter, story map, 5-part story vocabulary: Once upon a time, Early one morning, Unfortunately, Luckily, Finally

Subject: Maths

Pre-School	Reception
count, number, next, before, after, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, object, order, same, different, more, less, pattern, repeated, now, soon, later, big, small, size, what comes next? how many altogether, total, besides, how long, under, over, next to, between, behind, in front, inside, next to, outside, subitise Shape: shape, quare, triangle, circle, rectangle, heart, star, sides Measure: longer, shorter, full, half, empty, holds, container, heavy, light, tall, short, morning, afternoon, night, bedtime,	maths, one, two, three to twenty and beyond, total, how long, next, before, after, counting each object, order, count on, count back, same as, split, group, share, subitise, few, fewer, fewest, smaller, smallest, balance, calculations, addition, plus, altogether, equals, number bonds, counting in 10's, 5's, 2's, number line/track/square, subtraction, minus, take away, more, fewer, compare, equals, same as, , double, halve, number bonds, share, share equally, divide, odd, even Shape: 2D, 3D, square, triangle, circle, rectangle, oval, hexagon, cylinder, cube, cuboid, pyramid, cone, sphere, sides, corners, solid, flat Measure: half full, container, scales, weigh, weighs, days of the week, birthdays, holiday, heavy, light, heavier, lighter, more, less, time, o'clock, half, months of the year, seasons

Subject: Science

Pre-School	Reception
Plants: tree, leaf, flower, stem, seed, living things, creatures, habitats	Plants: tree, leaf, flower, stem, seed, trunk, branch, leaves, flowers, petals, fruit, roots, bulb, living things, creatures, habitats
Objects and Materials: material, wood, glass, paper, hard, soft	Places: woodland, dessert, Ocean, Sea, Jungle, Artic, seaside, stone, tree, soil
Living things – Animals including Humans: head, eyes, nose, mouth, ears, hands, fingers, feet, toes, arm, leg, animal	Objects and Materials: fruit, vegetables, object, material, hard, wood, glass, paper, hard, soft, plastic, shiny, metal, rock, fabric, smooth, rough, dissolve, melt, absorb
Seasonal Changes: cold, warm, hot, sun, rain, snow, Season, Summer, Spring, Autumn, Winter, days, year, light, night, dark, moon	Living things – Animals including Humans: head, eyes, nose, mouth, ears, hands, fingers, feet, toes, arm, leg, face, hair, leg, knee, arm, elbow, back, toes, head, ear, hands, adult, baby, child, animal, human, egg, birds, insects, bugs, minibeasts, fish, life-cycles, herbivore carnivore, omnivore.
Forces, Earth & Space: Earth, moon, sun, star	Seasonal Changes: cold, warm, hot, sun, rain, snow, Season, Summer, Spring, Autumn, Winter, days, year, light, night, dark, moon
Sound, Light & Electricity: loud, quiet	Forces, Earth & Space: Earth, Moon, Sun, Star, Planet, Space
	Sound, Light & Electricity: loud, quiet, volume, sound

Subject: History

Pre-School	Reception
before, after, family, long ago, old, new, remember, extinct	Finding out about the past: today, yesterday, tomorrow, old, new, now, then, different, same, change Historical events: Talk about events in my life and the lives of people I know Significant historical people: Talk about important people in my life and those of people I know

Subject: Geography

Pre-School	Reception
land, water, sun, sky, map, place, home, far, road, travel, journey, path, tree, flowers, puddles, river, weather, hot, cold, rain, cloudy, sunny, icy, snow Seasons: Autumn, Winter, Summer, Spring	Locational Knowledge: village, school, home, house, map, job, work, train station, library, church, shops, park, Great Missenden Human & Physical: beach, water, river, fields, forest, hills, mountain, sea, ocean, soil, weather, hot, cold Seasons: Autumn, Winter, Summer, Spring Skills & Fieldwork: maps, globe, atlas, country, city, town, roads, paths, direction, north, south, day, night

Subject: Art and DT

Pre-School	Reception
Art: paint, draw, create, apron, colour, shape, line, shade, brush, mixing, painting, artist, sparkle, playdough, rolling pin, cutters, roll, squeeze, paper DT: sellotape, masking tape, scissors, construct, build, cut, modelling, design, glue	Art: Artist, paint, draw, sculpt, colour, shade, light, dark, material, texture, smooth, rough, pattern, Artist names, mix, blend, texture Design: picture, drawing, use, make, experiment, model, create, creation, change, tools, materials, idea, improve, adapt, masking tape, string, join, connect Cooking & Nutrition: food, cooking, baking, recipe, ingredients, meal, snack, healthy, diet, measure, clean, germs, scales

Subject: Music

Pre-School	Reception
sing, song, dance, music, loud, quiet, fast, slow, drum, bell, triangle, tambourine, piano, shake, tap, beat, listen, clap, move, beat	rhythm, steady, beat, pulse, instrument, play, sing, whisper, talk, voice, dance, loud, soft, quiet, high, low, beat, tempo, fast, slow, create, perform, listen, song, tune, body percussion, triangle, bells, drum, maraca, tambourine, chime bars, hitting, rattling, shaking

Subject: RE

Pre-School	Reception
God, prayer, church, mosque, temple, faith, holy, family, love, care, share, respect, celebrate, story, believe, peace, Christmas, Easter, windows, doors and mirrors (link to school vision)	Religion, worship, bible, stories, Jesus, believe, angel, cross, festival, tradition, vicar, community, kindness, forgive, pray, help, thank, listen, understand, friend, Harvest, Christmas, Easter, Christians, special, respect, windows, doors and mirrors (link to school vision)

Subject: PE

Pre-School	Reception
walk, run, jump, climb, slide, crawl, hop, dance, throw, catch, kick, roll, fast, slow, high, low, move, stop, start, balance, under, over, safety	control, travel, balance, run, hop, skip, side steps, gallop, jump, land, forward roll, apparatus, under arm & over arm, catch, throw, space, direction, change direction, target, position, heart, stretch, muscles, strength, co-ordination, reach, relax, speed, distance, dance, perform, team, exercise

Subject: PSHE

Pre-School	Reception
Linked with Jigsaw curriculum: Being Me in My World: similar, different, favourite, unique, feelings, happy, sad, share, kindness, gentle, responsible Celebrating Difference: same, different, unique, special, family, home, bedroom, friends Dreams and Goals: challenge, practise, grow, encourage, kind, try Healthy Me: head, shoulder, body, move, healthy, exercise, clean, wash, safe Relationships: family, friend, kind, listen, lonely, mean, sorry Changing Me: body, eye, ear, knee, finger, foot, mouth, nose, stomach, arm, tongue, toe, hand, leg, grow, change, move, feelings, worry	Linked with Jigsaw curriculum: Being Me in My World: different, responsibilities, taking turns, respect, sharing, nervous, feelings, similarity, unique Celebrating Difference: different, special, friends, similar, family, frightened, unique Dreams and Goals: encourage, achievement, challenge Healthy Me: healthy, exercise, stranger Relationships: family, friends, relationships, lonely, feelings, emotions Changing Me: eyebrow, forehead, tongue, finger, stomach, grown-up, change, worry, excited, memories, healthy, grow, child

Subject: Computing

Pre-School	Reception
on, off, iPad, technology, computer, remote controls, interactive, batteries	keyboard, laptop, computer, screen, iPad, internet Online Safety: username, password, stranger danger Coding: Beebot, buttons, control, forward, backward, left, right, clear