

## Early Years 2017/ 2018

	Overall Half Term Topic	English	Maths	Understanding the World	Communication Language and Literacy	Expressive Arts	Health and Social Care	Physical, Social and Emotional Development	Role Play	PE
Half Term 1	Ourselves Toys	Names, labels and captions Stories about toys Chants and rhyming couplets	Counting/ numbers Counting- ordering 2D shapes Counting/ patterns Counting/ addition Addition and subtraction	Us as babies and us now Where are we from? Physical differences Who are your grandparents? Inventing your new toy	Speaking and listening Discussing books What's your favourite toy? Expressing an opinion	Self-portrait Musical bodies Drawing your favourite toy Water colour painting	Sharing and caring for others in our classroom Sharing toys to make new friends outside	Who are we? Body shapes What I think and what I do? Where is your bear hiding? Who are you bear? Why are we kind to others?	Different toys Toys at home Favourite toys Designing toys	Reception – Focus on using and handling bean bags  Nursery - Motor skills
Half Term 2	Stories and Celebration	Traditional tales Famous tales Winter Festivals Hanukah, Lights and Christmas	Counting/numbers Length 2D and 3D shapes Money and counting Time	Lights and shadows Cooking gingerbread men Candle experiences Cooking of glass biscuits	Tales can be good or bad Talking about our favourite tale Expressive preferences	Making a diva Making musical patterns with our bodies Making stars	The importance of washing hands  Cooking safely Sharing Christmas experiences	How to make a good Diva Musical chase and Mehndi patterns Knowing the difference between good and bad Hanukkah and Christmas	Celebrations around the world  Different ways of celebrating  Christmas	Reception – Ball skills  Nursery - Different equipment
Half Term 3	Journeys	Fantasy and reality fiction Journey Poetry Poetry about Mountains, penguins and shapes	Counting/ ordering Counting/ordering numbers 2D shapes Addition Patterns/Symmetry Counting/ adding	Animal travelling Animal Habitats Top, Middle and Bottom What to wear - whatever the weather	Drama Listening to others Journeys in the past Holidays	Transport painting magical writing Penguin paper plates Mountain panting	Why do we go away with friends or family? Importance of sharing opinions	Safety first Animals as pets 'Pets at home' Fears Ice and Cold around the world	Holidays Barnaby Bear Holidays Postcards	Reception and Nursery – Gymnastics
Half Term 4	Magical Me	Fiction- Fantasy stories Non-fiction Instructions Poetry: Room on the broom and other magic poems	Counting/comparing Weight 3D shapes/ data Counting/ comparing Money/ counting Time	Keeping stuff cool Party food Magic tricks Famous authors Magic experiments	Real or pretend Freeze frame Imaginative writing Bossy language and bossy verbs	Make a wand Party decorations What's special about magic? School quest Recipes	Why we should be bossy in a friendly way Washing our hands before food	My special cosy place to go Secret parties Being bossy Using your manners to help others	Magic Potions Wizards Spells Cloaks	Reception – Gymnastics  Nursery - Dance
Half Term 5	Castles	Fiction- Mouse Quixote and other fairy stories Letters and captions, labels Fiction and Poetry - Dragon stories	Counting Counting/addition 2D shape/data Addition/subtraction Counting/sequences Addition/subtraction	Coat of Arms Different families Castle pelmanism Castles made from cake! Different castles	Reading and comparing different fairy tales Why do we like fairy tales? Old days in the castle	Making our very own castle making a fairy tale Fantasy castles make a jester's hat	Safety in buildings Why do we make each other laugh? Importance of laughter	Dreams Why do we dream and what do they mean? The pretty princess and the fearless knight What are castles for? What makes us happy?	Fairy tales Designing our favourite castles Favourite characters in the castle	Reception – Hoops and Quoits Nursery - Ball skills
Half Term 6	Beaches and Weather	Fiction - Stories about beaches Non-fiction - Postcards and letters Beach and Weather poetry	Counting – addition and subtraction Capacity Counting/place/value 3D shape/ direction Money Time	Maps and signs Beach fun! Google maps Beach creatures Meerkats and mongooses	New vocabulary	Horse sponge painting Shades of the sea Starfish biscuits Move Rover Soapy sea	The importance of safety on the beach How to stay safe on the beach	Where we live Getting lost on the beach Pets Home sick Holiday specials	Holidays around the world Weather presenters	Reception and Nursery – Sports day preparation