

Curriculum Goal: Literacy (Reading)

We want our children to develop a lifelong love of reading. We aim for all children to love books, to desire stories, to want to be immersed in books and have imaginations that can go anywhere. We want our children to access and enjoy a daily story and to learn nursery rhymes. By talking with our children as they read, we aim to develop children's conversation and vocabulary. Through accessing a weekly phonics session, reinforced through continuous provision, we want our children to distinguish between sounds and to clearly recognise the initial sound of their name. We seek to provide children with a wide range of fiction and nonfiction texts to inspire them to have a love of reading and to question what they read

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First milestone : Children take part in pretend play, making up or developing a story.	Children may begin by pretend-playing on their own with toys like farm animals, wild animals, dinosaurs or small world people. They may put on a costume to become a superhero or another character. Over time, their play becomes more complex. They are able to play with other children, developing the play together (e.g. deciding who will play what role in the home corner. Comprehension Begin to comprehend the rhythm of the nursery day. To read visual timetables to understand what is happening next.
	Word reading Listens to and joins in with stories and poems, when reading one-to-one Freely access books in the environment Choose a home reading book of choice Letters & Sounds Phase 1 Body Percussion Environmental Sounds Recognise and copy sounds, rhythm and tempo.
What does this look like?	Children begin to sit and listen to a story/song/rhyme at group time, joining in using actions, signs or repeated refrains Children begin to role play familiar stories or experiences
Second Milestone: Children take part in shared reading. They respond to the features of the story. Children engage in number rhymes with props and join in with the actions.	 Comprehension To use newly acquired vocabulary in play Word reading Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of reading Re-enacts and reinvents stories they have heard in their play As children become more used to shared reading, they ask questions and make links between what happens in the story and their own experiences. Children join in with rhymes and songs e.g. repeating words or following actions. Children play with props to retell/make up their own stories. Letters & Sounds Phase 1 Instrumental Sounds Exploring body percussion and rhythm. Explore rhyme through stories, songs and games. Beginning to notice alliteration

What does this look like?	Children will be able to play out a story based on a book or a story they've heard.
Third Milestone:	Comprehension Retell stories and narratives using familiar phrases Use and understand specific key vocabulary linked to stories and texts
	Word reading Recognise and read their own name Have a selection of favourite stories and nursery rhymes Be able to recall and discuss favourite stories and rhymes Retell a story with a beginning, middle and end
	Letters & Sounds Phase 1 Body Percussion Environmental Sounds Recognise and copy sounds, rhythm and tempo. Instrumental Sounds Exploring body percussion and rhythm. Explore rhyme through stories, songs and games. Beginning to notice alliteration Oral blending & Segmenting
What does this look like? Measure	Children will read stories independently Children will develop their own stories using role play Children will begin to write/mark make their own stories
favourite stories and rhymes, Children will know the langua happily ever after Children will be able to make making	and follow an oral story. Children will have knowledge of and be able to retell, knowing what happens next. age of traditional stories; Once upon a Time, And they all lived a up their own story and represent it by drawing and writing/mark

Children will know core nursery rhymes by heart; Incy Wincy, Twinkle Twinkle, Rainbow Song,