



Medium Term Plan – Spring 2

Creatures Great and Small



Greenfinch – The Smallest and the Largest

EYFS Specific Area	Topic	EYFS Reception Development Matters Statements	Lesson Outline/ Continuous Provision Activities
Understanding of the world	Geography	Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.	Week 1: To learn about the largest animals in the world and where they live.
		Compare and contrast characters from stories including figures from the past.	Week 2 – To learn about the smallest animals in the world and where they live. Week 3- To investigate animals that live
		Draw information from a simple map.	in our local area. Week 4 – to learn about the country of
		Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this	Madagascar
		country and life in other countries.	Week 5:- to learn about the animals of Madagascar.
		Explore the natural world around them.	Week 6:to write a fact file about Madagascar
		Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.	
		Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live.	
		Understand the effect of the changing seasons on the natural world around them.	

Understanding of the World	Science	Explore the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live.	Types of Animals Week 1: What do animals need to survive? Week 2: Favourite pets Week 3: Comparing animals Week 4: Animal groups Week 5: What do animals eat? Week 6: Planning a zoo
Understanding of the World	R.E	Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live.	Should Everyone Follow Jesus? Week 1: Children will think about the characteristics of a good leader. Week 2: Children will learn about the disciples and why they followed Jesus. Week 3: Children will explore Christian beliefs about Easter. Week 4: Children will learn understand Christian beliefs about Easter Week 5: Children will Children will think about the reasons people follow Jesus. Week 6: Children will think about their own ideas about whether people should follow Jesus.

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Expressive Art & Design	Art and D.T	Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources and skills.	Week 1: to learn about different animal footprints. Week 2: to print different animal footprints using potatoes. Week 3: to make an animal footprint on a clay tile. Week 4: to make a clay animal from Madagascar Week 5: to paint a clay tile and clay animal Week 6: to make food for a Gruffalo

Music	Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing	Round and Round
	their feelings and responses.	Listen to, appraise and compare songs in Bossa
	·	Nova Latin style.
		Learn to sing the song Round and Round.
	Watch and talk about dance and performance art,	Musical games.
	expressing their feelings and responses.	Play instruments.
		Performance.
	Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.	
	Develop storylines in their pretend play.	
	Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.	
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Communication	Story time	Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is	Every day, children will be read one or more
and Language			stories/books either from the Greenfinch class
		important.	reading spine or a book linked to our topic, R.E,
			PSHE or literacy lessons.
		Learn new vocabulary.	
		Use new vocabulary throughout the day.	
		Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them.	
		What has been said to them.	
		Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences.	
		Connect one idea or action another using a range of	
		connectives.	
		Develop social phrases.	
		Describe events in some detail.	
		Engage in story times.	
		Listen and talk about stories to build familiarity and	
		understanding.	
		Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity	
		with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words.	
		Use new vocabulary in different contexts.	

Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how
they sound.
Learn rhymes, poems and songs.
Engage in non-fiction books.
Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.
Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen.

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Physical Development	P.E	Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired:- rolling- crawling - walking - jumping - running - hopping - skipping - climbing Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. Develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. Combine different movements with ease and fluency. Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group. Develop overall body-strength, balance, co-ordination and agility. Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming. Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball.	Gymnastics Week 1: To move on, off and over apparatus safely and use the 'Magic chair' landing. Week 2: To rock on different parts of our body and rock using shapes. Week 3: To perform specific one-foot balances such as h and y balances. Week 4: To perform actions at the same time as others (unison). Week 5: To perform actions one person after the other (canon). Week 6: To turn and jump a quarter and half.

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Personal, Social and Emotional Development	PSHE Keeping myself safe	See themselves as a valuable individual. Build constructive and respectful relationships. Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally. Think about the perspectives of others. Manage their own needs.	1: To identify ways of taking care of their health. 2: To identify how others take care of their environment. 3: To take care of something or someone else. 4: To talk about the importance of looking after money. 5: To learn what to do when someone is injured.
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For English and maths plan see separate long term plans.