Levens School EYFS long term plan/curriculum map 2024-25

Themes, texts, learning opportunities and experiences are not fixed, there is flexibility built into the curriculum in order to allow learning opportunities which follow children's interests. British Values and Characteristics of Effective Learning are interwoven through all aspects of our teaching, interactions, the curriculum, provision and the school's Christian Values.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Amazing Me and Wonderful	The colours of our world	Oh I do like to be beside
	Winter!		the seaside!
Themes	Ourselves, families, friendships, feelings, birthdays, rules, Harvest, healthy eating, Remembrance, Bonfire Night, seasons, signs of winter, animals in winter, migration/hibernation, Christmas, food from other cultures, Buddhism, celebrations	Space, diversity, disability awareness, changes in Spring, Holi – Hindu festival of spring/colour, seasons, Lent, Easter, Mother's Day, life cycle of a frog, growing	Marine life, postcards, fossils - Mary Anning, seaside holidays in the past, seaside art, David Attenborough, looking after our world, recycling, creation, caring for animals, maps, our location, countries around the world, exploring life in this country and comparing/contrasting to life in another country
Texts (not limited to)	The Little Red Hen, The Jolly Postman, The Jolly Christmas Postman, We are family, Our class is a family, The girl with two Dads, Captain Tom Little People Big Dreams, Animals in Winter, Today is a no money day	The Smeds and The Smoos, Whatever Next! Don't call me special, Perfectly Norman, Millie gets her super ears, The Enormous Turnip, Oi Frog, Celebrate Holi with me! From tadpole to frog, Sam plants a sunflower, Van Gogh and the Sunflowers	The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch, Alba the 100-year-old fish, Blue Planet David Attenborough, Little People Big Dreams, Sharing a Shell, The Frog Prince, Commotion in the Ocean, The Snail and the Whale

Experiences	Fire Brigade visit, Toasting Marshmallows on our firepit, Food tasting, Harvest	Odd Sock Day - Down Syndrome awareness, Holi spring celebration, World	A visit to the seaside, making our own fossils, a
	Service at Church, Buddhist Temple visit, making bread, Nativity Performance,	Book Day, Internet Safety Day, making pancakes/hot cross buns, frogspawn in	visit from a vet, looking after Mrs Haslam's rabbits and guinea pigs
Area of	National Nursery Rhyme Week What does the learning look like?	the classroom, growing sunflowers What does the learning look	What does the learning look
•	What will the children do/learn?	like? What will the children	like? What will the children
learning	what will the children do/learn?		do/learn?
		do/learn?	
Communication	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
and Language	Enjoying listening to stories	Enjoying listening to stories	Enjoying listening to stories
	Paying attention to more than one thing at	Paying attention to more than one thing	Paying attention to more than one thing
	a time	at a time	at a time
	Using a wider range of vocabulary linked to	Using and exploring a wider range of	Using and exploring a wider range of
	our main themes and experiences	vocabulary linked to our main themes and	vocabulary
	Understand two-part	experiences	Understand two-part
	questions/instructions	Understand two-part	questions/instructions
	Understand and answer 'why' questions	questions/instructions	Understand and answer 'why' questions
	Using talk to organise their play	Understand and answer 'why' questions	Using talk to organise their play
	Reception	Using talk to organise their play	Sing a large repertoire of songs
	Use new vocabulary through the day	Sing a large repertoire of songs	Know an increasing number of rhymes
	Articulate their ideas through well-	Know an increasing number of rhymes	Tell longer stories – Talk4Writing
	formed sentences	Enjoy listening to longer stories	Develop communication and
	Describe events in some detail	Start a conversation with an adult or	pronunciation
	Listen to and talk about stories	friend	Use longer sentences of four to six
	Use new vocabulary in different contexts	Reception	words
	Listen carefully to rhymes and songs	Understand how to listen carefully	Be able to express a point of view and
	Sing songs	Tell longer stories - Talk4Writing	to debate when they disagree with an
	Perform rhymes	Engage in storytimes	adult or friend, using words as well as
	Engage in settling in activities	Develop communication and pronunciation	actions
	Beginning to speak in longer sentences	Use longer sentences of four to six	Start a conversation with an adult or a
		words	friend and continue it for many turns

Children talk about experiences that are familiar to them
What are your passions/goals/ dreams?
Following instructions (settling in, tidying up), saying 'good morning'
Engage in storytimes

Learn and use new vocabulary - word aware Using language well Ask how/why questions Retelling a story using story language Remembering key points from a story Describe events in detail Develop social phrases Listening and talking about stories Reciting poems and songs Articulate a life cycle using technical vocabulary Listen to and engage in and talk about selected non-fiction Articulate ideas and thoughts into wellformed sentences Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives

Use talk to organise themselves and their play

Reception

Develop vocabulary - word aware Using language well Ask how/why questions Retelling a story using story language Remembering key points from a story Describing events in greater detail Listening and talking about stories Reciting poems and songs Listen to and engage in and talk about selected non-fiction Articulate ideas and thoughts into wellformed sentences Ask questions to find out more Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important Use new vocabulary through the day Articulate ideas and thoughts in wellformed sentences Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen Develop social phrases Engage in storytimes Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding

			Retell a story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with a text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words Engage in non-fiction books Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary
Personal,	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
•	Developing confidence in a new setting	Develop a sense of responsibility and	Develop a sense of responsibility and
Social &	Become more outgoing with new people	membership of a community	membership of a community
Emotional	Develop a sense of responsibility and	Select and use activities and resources	Select and use activities and resources
Development	membership of a community	Play with one or more other children,	Play with one or more other children,
	Select and use activities and resources	extending and elaborating on play ideas	extending and elaborating on play ideas
	Making friends - demonstrating friendly	Making friends - demonstrating friendly	Making friends - demonstrating friendly
	behaviour, playing with one or more other children	behaviour, playing with one or more other children	behaviour, playing with one or more other children
	Reception	Remembering to follow rules more	Remembering to follow rules more
	Family routines and special occasions	consistently without being reminded	consistently without being reminded
	Showing an interest in the lives of other	Reception	Knowing some self-care techniques -
	people	Knowing some self-care techniques -	using the toilet independently,
	What makes you special?	using the toilet independently,	handwashing
	Our class rules, behavioural expectations	handwashing	Develop appropriate ways of being
	in the class/boundaries set	Express their feelings and consider the	assertive
	Build constructive and respectful	feelings of others,	Talk with others to solve conflicts
	relationships	Think about the perspectives of others,	Understand gradually how others might
	Our feelings and the feelings of others	Manage their own personal hygiene needs	be feeling
	Friendships	Toothbrushing,	Find solutions to conflicts and rivalries
	All about me	Begin to show resilience in the face of	Increasingly follow rules, understanding
	What makes me special	challenge	why they are important
	Me and my special people	Exploring differences between people	
	Who can help me? (self-regulation)	including awareness of disabilities	

	Me and my feelings -naming different	See themselves as a valuable individual	Reception
	feelings, thinking about how to deal with 'not so good feelings',	Continue to build constructive and respectful relationships	Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others,
	Knowing some self-care techniques - using the toilet independently, handwashing and healthy eating		Think about the perspectives of others, Identify and moderate their own feelings
	Knowing that some actions and words can hurt others' feelings.		Manage their own personal hygiene needs
	Finding solutions to conflicts Firework safety		Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing Build constructive and respectful relationships
			See themselves as a valuable individual Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge
			Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally
			Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and well-being
Physical	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
Development	Continue to develop movement and balance skills riding trikes, balance bikes and scooters	Continue to develop movement and balance skills riding trikes, balance bikes and scooters	Continue to develop movement and balance skills riding trikes, balance bikes and scooters
	Practise climbing stairs and steps using alternate feet	Practise climbing stairs and steps using alternate feet	Practise climbing stairs and steps using alternate feet
	Skip, hop and stand on one leg Use large scale muscle movements	Skip, hop and stand on one leg Use large scale muscle movements	Skip, hop and stand on one leg Use large scale muscle movements
	(squiggle) Becoming increasingly independent in putting on/taking off coats/doing up zips Dough disco	(squiggle) Becoming increasingly independent in putting on/taking off coats/doing up zips	(squiggle) Becoming increasingly independent in putting on/taking off coats/doing up zips

Yoga Reception

Threading, cutting, playdough, fine motor activities (dough disco and funky fingers area)

Manipulate objects with good fine motor skills

Draw lines and circles using gross motor movements (Squiggle)

Hold pencil/paint brush beyond whole hand grasp

Pencil Grip

Taking shoes off and putting them on Develop muscle tone to put pencil pressure on paper

Use tools to effect changes to materials
Show preference for dominant hand
Engage children in structured activities:
guide them in what to draw, write or copy.
Teach and model correct letter formation

Balance

Different ways of moving
Negotiating space
Travelling with confidence
Refining fundamental skills
Ball skills: throwing, catching, kicking
Using different sized balls
Follow the rules of a game
Dough disco
Yoga

Collaborate with others to manage large items

Use one-handed tools and equipment such as scissors, paintbrushes and pencils with increasing accuracy

Dough disco

Yoga Reception

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, fine motor activities (dough disco and funky fingers area)

Begin to form letters correctly

Handle tools, objects, construction and

Handle tools, objects, construction an malleable materials with increasing control

Encourage children to draw freely
Draw arches and spirals using gross
motor movements (Squiggle)
Holding small items
Button clothing /zips
Cutting with scissors
Beginning to use cutlery with increasing
accuracy

Hold pencil effectively with comfortable grip

Forms recognisable letters most correctly formed

Dough disco

Dance/Gymnastics

Move energetically
Copy basic actions
Move to music

Collaborate with others to manage large items

Start taking part in some group

activities which they make up for
themselves, or in teams
Increasingly be able to use and
remember sequences and patterns of
movements which are related to music
and rhythm

Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting Choose the right resources to carry out

their own plan
Use one handed tools and equipment
Use a comfortable grip with good
control when holding pens and pencils
Show a preference for a dominant hand
Be increasingly independent when
getting dressed/undressed

Dough disco

Yoga

Reception

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough,
Fine Motor activities

Develop pencil grip and letter formation
continually

Use one hand consistently for fine
motor tasks

Cut along a straight line with scissors / Start to cut along a curved line, like a circle

Negotiate space Draw zigzags through gross motor Perform teacher led warm-ups movements (Squiggle) Dough disco Balance Revise and refine the fundamental skills Core muscle strength Jumping and landing they have already acquired Awareness of space Progress towards a more fluent style of Revise fundamental movement skills such moving, with developing control and as rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, grace running, hopping, skipping, climbing Continue to develop body strength, coordination, balance and agility needed to Progress towards a more fluent style of engage successfully with future moving physical education sessions and physical Yoga disciplines Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor 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 which involve a ball Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient

			Cut a shape out using scissors Begin to draw diagonal lines, like in a triangle / start to colour inside the lines of a picture Draw pictures that are recognisable Build things with smaller linking blocks such as Duplo or Lego Yoga
Literacy	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
	Aspect 1 environmental sounds – general	Aspect 4 - rhythm and rhyme	Aspect 6: voice sounds
	sound discrimination	Aspect 5: alliteration	Aspect 7: Oral blending and segmenting
	Aspect 2 - instrumental sounds - general	Learning that print has meaning and	Learning that print has meaning and
	sound discrimination	different purposes	different purposes
	Aspect 3 - body percussion - general sound	We read in English from left to right and	We read in English from left to right
	discrimination	top to bottom	and top to bottom
	Learning that print has meaning and	Names of parts of a book	Names of parts of a book
	different purposes	Page sequencing	Page sequencing
	We read in English from left to right and	Engaging in	Engaging in
	top to bottom	conversations about stories	conversations about stories
	Names of parts of a book	Spotting and suggesting rhymes	Spotting and suggesting rhymes
	Page sequencing	Engaging in early mark making activities,	Engaging in early mark making activitie
	Engaging in	write some or all of their name	write some or all of their name
	conversations about stories	Reception	Use some of their print and letter
	Spotting and suggesting rhymes	Show interest and answer simple	knowledge in their early writing
	Engaging in early mark making activities,	questions about the text	Write some letters accurately
	write some or all of their name	Use words that they know to check their	Reception
	Reception	reading makes sense	Read phase 3 words (decodable and
	Handling books correctly and following	Demonstrate understanding when talking	tricky)
	print left to right, top to bottom	about what they have read	Re-read books showing increased
	Locating the title	Repeat words or phrases to check	accuracy and fluency
	Segmenting and blending words orally	reading	Writing simple captions and sentences
	Recognising words which rhyme	Locate and recall the title	using phonetically plausible attempts a

	Linking most sounds to letters	Read with 1-1 correspondence	spelling, for different purposes; non
	Beginning to blend and segment in order to	Read some common irregular words	fiction, postcards, recounts,
	read vc and cvc words	(Phase2/3)	instructions and Talk4Writing
	Beginning to match spoken word to written	Link all sounds to letters of the alphabet	Beginning to use capital letters, full
	word (1 to 1 cor) across 2-3 lines of print	Read simple words by blending sounds	stops and finger spaces
	Reading some phase 2 words including some tricky words	and check it makes sense and sounds right	Form capital and lowercase letters accurately
	Showing a preference for a book, song or	Read and understand simple sentences	3553. 3. 5.,
	rhyme.	Use phonic knowledge to read and decode	
	Talking about events and characters in a	regular words	
	story read to me	Read all Phase 2 words	
	Joining in with rhymes and stories.	Read some of Phase 3 words	
	Filling in missing words from well-known	Writing instructions, captions and lists	
	rhymes	Ordering the Easter story	
	Developing a dominant hand, tripod grip,	Writing labels and captions for life	
	mark making, giving meaning to marks and	cycles	
	labelling	Writing simple sentences for story maps	
	Name writing	(Talk4Writing)	
	Shopping lists	Spelling common exception words	
	Writing initial sounds and simple captions		
	Use initial sounds to label characters /		
	images		
	Silly soup		
	Writing for a purpose in role play		
	Tricky word spelling - phase 2		
	Labelling, talk for writing, story scribing		
	Retelling stories, writing letters		
	Writing CVC words, labels using CVC, CVCC, CCVC words		
Mathematics	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
	Number and place value:	Number and place value:	Geometry:
	- re-cap of the counting principles	formation of numerals 0-5	- continuing and creating AB pattern

	- introduction to the language of	- 1 more/1 less than numbers 1-5	Measurement:
	more/less	Shape and space:	- length
	Geometry:	 properties of shapes 	- weight
	patterned language	positional language	- capacity
	ordering events	Reception	- time
	Reception	Alive in 5	Number and place value:
	Number	Introducing Zero	 introduction of numbers 1-6
	- match and sort, compare amounts	Comparing numbers to 5	1:1 correspondence
	Representing - 1, 2 &3	Composition of 4&5	Reception
	Comparing - 1,2, &3	Growing 6, 7, 8	Building numbers beyond 10
	Composition of - 1,2 & 3	Making pairs	Counting patterns beyond 10
	Measure, shape & spatial thinking	Combining two groups	Spatial reasoning 1; match, rotate,
	- compare size, mass & capacity	Length and Height	manipulate
	exploring patterns	Time	Adding more
	Measure, shape & spatial thinking	Building 9&10	Taking away
	- circles & triangles	Comparing numbers to 10	Spatial reasoning 2; compose and
	- positional language	Bonds to 10	decompose
	Number	3D Shape	Doubling
	 representing numbers to 5 	Pattern	Sharing and grouping
	- more and less		Even and odd
	Measure, shape & spatial thinking		Spatial reasoning 3; visualise and build
	- shapes with 4 sides		Deepening understanding
	- time		Patterns and relationships
			Spatial reasoning 4; mapping
Understanding	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
the World	Use all their senses in hands on exploration	Explore collections of materials with	Begin to understand the need to
	of natural materials	similar and or different properties - light	respect and care for the natural
	Talk about what they see using a wide	and dark	environment and all living things
	vocabulary	Talk about what they see using a wide	Explore and talk about different forces
		vocabulary	they can feel

Begin to make sense of their own life story
and family history
Show interest in different occupations
Begin to understand the need to respect
and care for the natural environment and
all living things - birds in winter
Talk about the differences between
materials and changes they notice toasting marshmallows
Continue developing positive attitudes
about the differences between people

Reception Know that there are different countries in

the world and talk about some of their differences

Hibernation and migration - where in the world?

Naming and describing people who are familiar to us - immediate family

Understand that some places are special to certain members of the community

Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways

Explore the natural world around us

Understand the effect of changing

seasons on the natural world around us -

birds in winter

Showing interest in different occupations

Develop positive attitudes about the

differences between people

Plant seeds and care for growing plants sunflowers

Begin to understand the need to respect
and care for the natural environment and
all living things - frogspawn

Talk about the difference between
materials and the changes they notice shadows

Continue developing positive attitudes
about the differences between people

Cooking Reception

Understand the key features of the life

cycle of a frog

Exploring the concept of space, learning about different planets, history of the moon landing Light and dark, materials and investigating shadows Knowing what a plant needs to grow (growing a sunflower) Plant seeds and care for growing plants Understanding the key features of the life cycle of a plant and frog Describe special events (Lent/Easter) Understand the effects of changing seasons on the world: winter to spring Exploring the natural world Recognising that people have different beliefs - learning about the Hindu festival of colour (Holi)

Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experiences or seen in photos

Reception

Comment on images of familiar situations in the past – seaside holidays Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past – Mary Anning

Draw information from a simple map - where we live, other countries in our world

Showing interest in different occupations

Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in another country Explore the natural world around them Recognise that some environments that are different from the one in which they live

	Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live Changing states – marshmallow toasting	Developing positive attitudes about the differences between people Learning about disabilities through Odd Sock Day and key texts Cooking	
Expressive	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
Expressive Arts and Design	Take part in simple pretend play Join different materials and explore different textures Develop their own ideas Listen with increased attention to sounds Create closed shapes with continuous lines and begin to use them to represent objects - self portraits Explore colour and colour mixing Play instruments with increasing control to express feelings and ideas Remember and sing entire songs Christmas cards and crafts Opportunities linked to key texts/experiences/interests Reception Explore and use a variety of artistic effects Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills Listen attentively, move and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses	Shadow Puppets Take part in simple pretend play Join different materials and explore different textures Develop their own ideas Drama conventions through literacy Mother's Day cards and crafts Opportunities linked to key texts/experiences/interests Listen to music and make their own dances in response Easter cards and crafts Drawing/collaging/ creating own planets Listen with increased attention to sounds Create closed shapes with continuous lines and begin to use them to represent objects Explore colour and colour mixing Play instruments with increasing control to express feelings and ideas Remember and sing entire songs Drama conventions through literacy Continue to develop own ideas	Take part in simple pretend play Join different materials and explore different textures Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment Make imaginative and complex small worlds using blocks and construction kits Draw with increasing complexity including details Explore colour and colour mixing Explore different materials freely Drama conventions through literacy Continue to develop own ideas Seaside collages Opportunities linked to key texts/experiences/interests Listen with increased attention to sounds Respond to what they have heard, expressing thoughts and feelings Play instruments with increasing control Create closed shapes with continuous
	Sing in a group, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody - Nativity performance	Reception	lines and begin to use them to represent objects Reception

Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups -Nativity performance Mixing the colours they need to paint with Build models using construction equipment Junk modelling Exploring sounds and how they can be changed, tapping out of simple rhythms Drawing a self-portrait Feelings: taking photos acting out emotions Drama conventions through literacy Use different textures and materials to make firework pictures Christmas decorations, Christmas cards, Christmas songs The use of story maps, props, puppets & story bags will encourage children to retell, invent and adapt stories Teach children different techniques for joining materials, such as how to use adhesive tape and different sorts of glue Role Play of The Nativity Leaf rubbings/pictures/collages Opportunities linked to key texts/experiences/interests

Recreating Van Gogh Sunflowers producing a piece of artwork using an artist's style as a stimulus Exploring how colours can be changed Talking about a famous artist Drama conventions through literacy Mother's Day cards and craft gifts Easter cards and crafts Observational drawings of life cycles and sunflowers Drawing, collaging and creating own planets Opportunities linked to key texts/experiences/interests Listen to music and make their own dances in response - link to space

Water pictures, collage, shading by adding black or white, colour mixing for postcard pictures and paintings, making passports.

Colour mixing - underwater pictures Making model lighthouses from recycled

Colour mixing - underwater pictures
Making model lighthouses from recycled
materials: link to keeping our sea clean
and recycling and The Lighthouse
Keeper's Lunch
Using clay to make a coil pot (link to the

curled shell in Sharing a Shell)

Making fossils using salt dough linked to learning about Mary Anning

Drama conventions through literacy

Observational drawings of a pet

Designing and making a sandwich carrier for Mr Grinling's lunch linked to the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch

Creation story collages - RE

Opportunities linked to key texts/experiences/interests

Drawing maps