



# Communication and Language EYFS Curriculum Map

## Statutory Guidance from the EYFS Framework for Communication and Language:

The development of children's spoken language underpins all seven areas of learning and development. Children's back-and-forth interactions from an early age form the foundations for language and cognitive development. The number and quality of the conversations they have with adults and peers throughout the day in a language-rich environment is crucial. By commenting on what children are interested in or doing, and echoing back what they say with new vocabulary added, practitioners will build children's language effectively. Reading frequently to children, and engaging them actively in stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems, and then providing them with extensive opportunities to use and embed new words in a range of contexts, will give children the opportunity to thrive. Through conversation, story-telling and role play, where children share their ideas with support and modelling from their teacher, and sensitive questioning that invites them to elaborate, children become comfortable using a rich range of vocabulary and language structures.

	<u>Autumn 1</u>	<u>Autumn 2</u>	<u>Spring 1</u>	<u>Spring 2</u>	<u>Summer 1</u>	<u>Summer 2</u>
<b>Potential Themes/ Interests of children</b>	Starting School Autumn / Halloween Family People who help us Teddy bears	Harvest Pumpkins Christmas Around the World Celebrations including Diwali	Winter Arctic environments Journeys / The world Chinese New Year Big School's bird watch	Growing up Babies, generations Health inc. oral health Spring Easter	Life Cycles Butterflies, beans, sunflower Outdoors Gardening	Summer Hot environments Rock pools Mermaids / Pirates Seaside
<b>Possible Celebrations &amp; Experiences</b>	Starting School, Halloween, Autumn, Black History Month, Fire service visit	Diwali , Bonfire Night, Children in Need, Remembrance Day, Advent, Christmas, Christmas Nativity	Valentine's Day, Lunar New Year / Chinese New Year, NSPCC Numbers day, Safer Internet Day	World Book Day, Comic Relief, Mother's Day, Pancake Day, World Art Day, Easter	International Museum Day, World Biscuit Day, World Food Safety day	Father's Day , Sports Day, Transition, Assessment
<b>Possible Texts - Fiction and Non-Fiction</b>						
<b>Links to the National Curriculum</b>	The national curriculum for English highlights the essential role of spoken language in pupils' cognitive, social, and linguistic development. Spoken language forms the foundation for reading and writing, with its quality directly influencing vocabulary, grammar, and comprehension. Teachers focus on building pupils' confidence and competence in speaking and listening, encouraging them to articulate ideas clearly and refine their understanding through discussion. Pupils also learn the conventions of debate and collaborative dialogue while engaging in drama to explore creativity, empathy, and communication. Improvisation, scripting, and performance enable them to sustain roles and respond thoughtfully to peers. These experiences enhance critical thinking and artistic expression, supporting learning across the curriculum. Statutory requirements ensure the consistent development of these skills throughout primary education.					