# **Curriculum Web: Connection, Communication, Cooperation**

Class: Pearl Class Year groups: Pre-Reception and Reception Term: Term 1 Autumn Term 2023

**Topic:** Me and The World (Geography Focus)





Core texts, songs and rhymes	Inspire - Immerse - Investigate - Interact	Enabling Environments
Songs and Rhymes:  Learn a variety of songs related to our topic i.e "Brown Bear what do you see", "I am Special" or "We' re going on a Bear Hunt".  Learn class songs and rhymes to support classroom routines  Stories:    Bill Martin Jr/Eric Carle   Brown Bear, White Do You See?   We're Going on a Bear Hunt   Michael Recent   Heles Oxenbury   Heles Oxenbury	This term we will be exploring the topic web: Me and the World. It will focus on developing geographical vocabulary and learning about the world through first-hand experience, stories and play.  We will explore an early understanding of some of geography's key concepts, such as place, space, scale, environment, interconnections, and change; the latter signifying both spatial and temporal changes in places and the processes that happen there.  This includes asking and finding the answers to questions underpinned by a growing awareness and understanding of these key geographical concepts.  Super Starter:  Explore about ourselves: where are you from?  Where do you live? Where is our school?  Identify elements that represent our city.  Focus: Space and Place.  Marvellous Middle: School trip to the beach - explore our city.  Focus: Place and Make Connections.  Fabulous Finish:	The children will have access to different areas in the classroom which ignite imagination, encourage independent learning, playing and exploring and create a safe place to learn and flourish - Maths/Construction Area, Role Play, Art Area, Reading Area and Calm Corner.  The calm corner provides a quiet place for children to regulate and relax, a quiet reading nook with books for the children to explore, a small world area, investigation table, phonics and number tables and play corner. Outside the children will have access to different areas to explore their imagination and curiosity,
We will also explore non-fiction texts and videos connected with our Topic Web "Me and the World".  A small Performance "We are going on the Bear Hunt" in the Gym.	Children should be able to see themselves and their identities reflected in their environment, such as through images of family, local community, and through cultural artefacts.  Focus: Change and Environment	

# ELG (Early Learning Goal)

# Prime Areas:

Communication and Language	Physical Development	Personal, Social and Emotional Development
Outcome of learning: Create activities and opportunities that develop and promote the children's listening, attention, understanding and speaking skills.  ELG: Listening, Attention and Understanding: • Initiate conversations with adults and children, taking account of what others say • Maintain attention and concentrate in small group and whole class activities. • Talk in complete sentences (modelled by all adults) • Ask appropriate questions • Join in with daily songs • Listen to and talk about non-fiction books about our topic. Invite children to explore new vocabulary and ask questions to find out more information.  Speaking: • Children express themselves effectively, showing awareness of the listeners' needs. They develop their own narratives and explanations. • Participate in small group or one-to-one discussions, offer explanations for why things might happen, express their ideas and feelings.	- Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others; - Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing; - Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing Routines, rules and expectations in PE - Fundamental movement skills: Develop basic locomotor (running, skipping, jumping) and non-locomotor skills (balance and flexibility); - Introduction to invasion games - Develop coordination and object manipulation  Fine Motor Skills Children at the expected level of development will: - Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing - using the tripod grip in almost all cases; - Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paint brushes and cutlery; - Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing	Outcome of learning: Strong, warm and supportive relationships with adults will enable children to learn how to understand their own feelings and those of others. We will understand our key emotions, using the Emotions Shed framework and Positive Pathways approach, supported by breathing activities and picture books. Through supported interaction with other children, they learn how to make good friendships, co-operate and resolve conflicts peaceably.  ELG: Self Regulation:  Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others  Set and work towards simple goals  Control immediate impulses when appropriate - and show being able to wait  Give focussed attention  Follow instructions  Managing Self  Confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in face of challenge  Develop an awareness of the boundaries set and behavioural expectations.  Manage own basic hygiene and personal needs  Building Relationships  Work and play cooperatively and take turns  Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers

 Show sensitivity to their needs and others' needs.

Mindfulness Class: to support this Prime Area.

The general aim of the curriculum is to use mindfulness practices to support the development of the whole child through games, problem solving and meditation:

- Supporting the development of emotional literacy
- Investigating different sensations and sense experiences
- Supporting our ability to connect and better understand our friends as we explore what it means to be us through movement and music
- Expressing our experience through colours, art and doodling

#### Specific Areas:

#### Literacy (Phonics) Mathematics (Number) Understanding the World Expressive Arts and Design Outcome of learning: Outcome of learning: Outcome of learning: Outcome of learning: To provide children with opportunities Opportunities for children to express Children can talk about their Storytelling and rhyme recognition to develop and improve their skills in experiences. Children can make themselves creatively both indoors and through exploring familiar and counting, understanding and using comparisons and ask appropriate outside. Create crafts and explore role repetitive texts, thinking about numbers. questions. play opportunities connected to our structure, vocabulary and what we FLG: Numbers ELG: Explore the natural world Numerical topic. enjoy about books in general. Explore around them, making observations ELG: **Patterns** fiction and non-fiction texts about " and drawing pictures about their Creating with Materials Outcome of learning (reception): family or house or a special place. Safely use and explore a Me and the World" and encourage Children are encouraged to be curious variety of materials, tools and the children to develop a love of and explore numbers. They will be using ELG: Know some similarities and techniques, experimenting reading and exploring books. familiar objects to help them learn differences between the natural with colour, design, texture, ELG: Comprehension, Word Reading world around them and contrasting about how numbers are used in form and function. and Writing. everyday life. They will be playing environments Explore collage and painting number games and sing counting songs Explore mark making Whole Class and will also be linking numbers to this Key Skills: Retell stories/rhymes/songs Being Imaginative and Expressive term's topic work: Me and the World. • Learn what has changed in our with actions and expressions Children use media and Key Skills (reception) local area and identify what is Tell stories about their own materials in original ways. different

- lives and experiences related to the class topic.
- Read and label different cities/places: i.e. where are you from? and where do you live?
- Describe different places that they visited and their characteristics.

#### Pre-Reception

#### Reading:

Recognising and detecting sounds using games and songs.

#### Writing:

Developing mark making and motor skills using a range of techniques.

### Reception

Reading: using phonic knowledge to decode sounds and words.

Apply phonic knowledge of the initial phase 2/3 sounds to read and write simple CVC words confidently: sat, at, pin, pat etc.

Recognise letters and their associated sounds

Writing: using phonic knowledge to write letters which match spoken sounds.

Developing writing skills using a variety of mark making tools (such as sand writing, chalk boards, dough creations) so that letters being explored are written correctly. Start writing simple sentences with finger spaces

- Estimate how many objects are in a group and continue practising to count reliably to 20.
- Write numbers 0-10 and beyond, with correct formation
- World themed addition and subtraction activities using language related to addition and subtraction.
- Recreating a simple pattern.
- Identify and describe properties of 2D and 3D shapes
- Use vocabulary related to weight, length and capacity
- Use everyday language relating to money
- Use language relating to time.

Outcome of learning (Pre-Reception): Show curiosity about numbers and use some number names and language spontaneously. Recites numbers up to 10 and recognises some numerals and match to a quantity of objects.

## Key Activities:

- Provide a range of objects in different colours or shapes.
   Encourage the children to continue, copy and create repeating patterns using natural objects.
- Talk about distance and know that some places are further away than others. Begin to explore scale through small world play.
  - Describe a familiar route.
     Discuss routes and locations.

using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'.

 Talk about what the weather is

like where we live.

- Learn about different place in the world which are very hot and very cold.
- Learn about other features in Kildwick: (river, beck, hills, fields.

#### Key Activities:

- Walks, routes and trails
- Explorations of built and natural environments
- Spaces for den-making, place-making
- Geographical drifts to focus attention
- Stories and other media of people and
- places, that challenge stereotypical thinking
- Sensory tables of natural and found objects
- Identification charts for flora and fauna
- Opportunities to explore textures and a variety of materials, including sand and water play
- Equipment for different types of weather, such as wellies and waterproofs
- Geography detective equipment- notebooks, magnifying glasses, compasses and cameras
- Small world play.

- thinking about uses and purposes
- Represent own ideas, thoughts and feelings use art and design, role play and creative play
- Invite the children to work collaboratively to create a flag from their home country.

  Each child will choose the materials that likes the most.

<ul> <li>Beginning to use 'right an left' with increasin confidence.</li> </ul>	
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# Additional:

Portuguese	Expressive Arts: Music and Drama	Home and School
Outcome of learning: Children can use basic Portuguese vocabulary and everyday classroom language.  Key Skills:  Explore vocabulary about our topic web "Me and the World": i.e about me, family and the change of weather.  Count up to 10 and play number games  Recognise some of the Portuguese letter names	ELG: Creating with Materials + Being Imaginative and Expressive Outcome of learning: Using familiar stories the children can listen, ask questions and act out the stories. Have a bank of regular daily songs and nursery rhymes.  Key Skills:  Make use of props and materials when role playing  Learn our stories related to our topic adding actions and role play.  Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers/teachers  Sing/perform rhymes and songs  Move in time with music  Explore rhythm and musical instruments  Learn songs with actions	Home learning: Reception children will take home the sounds we are learning each week so parents can practice at home.  Mondays: The children have gardening and must keep an old t-shirt and suitable gardening shoes in school The children have sports and games so should come to school in their PE uniform Fridays: In the afternoon we will have time for show and tell. This is an opportunity to promote communication and language where the children bring something from home to share with the class. This could be: something they have made that they are proud of, something related to our topic, a photo or something that is special to the children that they would like to share. This will be on a rota and a message will be sent on Class Dojo to let you know when it is your child's turn.  Communication with teachers: This can be face to face or via Class Dojo or email. We will post regular pictures of what is happening in school via Class Dojo.