Communication and Language Reception - Long Term Plan







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.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Potential Themes/ Interests of children	Starting School Autumn Family	Harvest - Pumpkins Christmas Around the World, Celebrations including Diwali	Winter, Kenya,The world, Chinese New Year	Growing up - babies, generations Health inc. oral health Spring, Easter	Life Cycles - butterflies, beans, sunflower Outdoors Gardening	Summer, Hot environments, Rock pools Pirates Seaside
Possible Celebrations & Experiences	Class rules and routines Starting School, Autumn, Black History Month	Diwali , Harvest, 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	Nell Bank trip	Father's Day , Sports Day, Transition, Reception Graduation, Buddy celebration
Suggested Texts – Fiction and Non- Fiction	June and Vira Africa THE FAMILY BOOK B	Anthony Browns Little Glony Joy to the World	Lost and Found HEEL WE CHINESE CHINES	CROWING SOUTH AND A SOUTH AND	ME SON CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF	FUNES ARE CALING CARPON IN CALIFORNIA PROMISE OF THE PART OF THE

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Ongoing Communication and Language skills developed throughout the year	 Children will continue to learn new vocabulary and its meaning through the Write Stuff writing scheme and the use of 'Grandma Fantastic'. Children will continue to use new vocabulary in conversations and discussions – with teachers, parents and peers. Subject specific vocabulary will be sent home to parents prior to each half terms learning so that specific vocabulary can be used and modelled at home. The same vocabulary will be displayed in the classroom for adults working with the children in provision / adult let activities. Children will continue to learn new rhymes, poems and songs – some of which they can recite from memory. All children will be assessed on entry for their Communication and Language skills. Where required one to one and group interventions will take place. Referrals to Speech and Language will be made at the earliest opportunity. 					
Development of Listening skills Intent Vocabulary Implementation	Children are beginning to listen to other children in their setting. They listen during story time and show an interest in the books being read. Listen, reading, wait, turn, story, caret time, join in, hand up, question, song, rhyme, poem. Carpet time with verbal and visual reminders to listen to others, daily and weekly songs, rhymes, music and stories shared.	Children are listening more on the carpet and when being spoke to by their teacher and peers. Children continue to listen to new stories that are shared with them. Listen, reading, wait, turn, story, caret time, join in, hand up, question, song, rhyme, poem. Assembly time, Carpet time with verbal and visual reminders to listen to others, daily and weekly songs, rhymes, music and stories shared.	Children's listening skills are continuing to develop and they are listening in lots of different situations such as carpet time, assembly, phonics and other lessons. Listen, looking, thinking time, reading, wait, turn, story, caret time, join in, hand up, question, song, rhyme, poem. Assembly time, Carpet time with verbal and visual reminders to listen to others, daily and weekly songs, rhymes, music and stories shared.	Children listen when both in and out of school and pay attention to the person talking. When out of school they know it is important to listen to keep safe — such as cars or Stanger danger. Listen, wait, turn, caret time, join in, hand up, question, song, rhyme, poem, safe, safety, road safety, fire alarm. Discussions around listening and safety such as fire alarms, road safety.	Children's listening skills continue to develop, they can listen in a range of situation and can listen while taking part in a guided task while remaining on task. Listen, wait, turn, instruction, patient, patience, join in, hand up, questions. Carpet time, group work, asking children questions about stories or work they are completing.	Children show good listening skills and can listen to one another, adults and new people with great skill. Listen, wait, turn, instruction, patient, patience, join in, hand up, questions. Carpet time, group work, assembly time, asking children questions and modelling questions.

Development of Attention skills Intent Vocabulary Implementation	Children sit on the carpet and show some attention – this may only be for a short time. Children can pay attention to one thing at a time. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, group. Carpet time, assembly time, visual and verbal reminders to sit and listen.	Children paying more attention on the carpet and during guided tasks. Children understanding why they need to pay attention. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, group, P.E, Assembly. Carpet time, assembly time, group work, playing in provision, visual and verbal reminders to sit and listen.	Children showing a good level of attention and concentration. Children being attentive during classroom tasks — both guided and independent. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, group, quiet, quietly. Carpet time, assembly time, group work, playing in provision, visual and verbal reminders to sit and listen.	Children can maintain attention in different contexts. Children show attention to both peers and adults. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, group, listen. Carpet time, assembly time, group work, playing in provision, visual and verbal reminders to sit and listen.	Children are developing their attention skills to both listen and continue with an activity. Sitting, listening, joining in, help. Carpet time, assembly time, group work, playing in provision, visual and verbal reminders to sit and listen.	Children attend to others in play. Children show good levels of attention during learning tasks. Join in, game, pretend, friend, new, game, different. Carpet time, assembly time, group work, playing in provision – including outside, visual and verbal reminders to sit and listen.
Development of Responding skills Intent Vocabulary Implementation	Children joining in with story time, rhymes, poems. Children respond appropriately when asked e.g. 'smart sitting on the carpet'. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, story time, book, reading, Story time, Carpet time, asking children to join in with stories, rhymes and making predictions about texts, verbal and pictorial reminders for sitting and listening.	Children responding to questions based on a text that has been read. Children discussing events in stories and asking questions about these. Children responding to other children and the adults in the setting. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, story time, book, reading, fiction, non-fiction, why, how, questions. Asking and encouraging children to answer questions about texts. Children conversing and	Children making predictions about what might happen next in a story. Children discussing both fiction and nonfiction books. Children continuing to build a rapport with friends. Carpet, sitting, listening, joining in, hand up, story time, book, reading, fiction, non-fiction, why, how, questions, predict, pretend. Asking and encouraging children to answer questions about texts — making predictions,	Children conversing with pupils and adults in the setting during the day and their play. Children using talk to resolve conflict, discuss their ideas and give reason. Children using newly learnt vocabulary in their responses. Join in, friends, pretend, compromise. Turn taking, fair, why, how, fiction, non-fiction. Children conversing during group work and play times – adults to model and support. Children listening to	Children keep play going by conversing and extending conversation. Children ask and answer questions Join in, friends, pretend, compromise. Turn taking, fair, why, how, fiction, non-fiction, what, where, when, what could we do next. Children playing in provision with support of adults in regards to conversing if needed, children encouraged to ask and answer question,	Children asking questions and for clarification on new knowledge. Children explaining themselves if misunderstood. Questions, why, what, when, how, explain, listen, heard, because. Modelling discussions on the carpet and answering questions and explaining reasoning e.g. using 'because'.

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		responding during play	Children conversing and	stories and answering		
		– modelled to them by	responding during play	questions.		
		adults.	 modelled to them by adults. 			
Davidanment	Children following	Children following	Children taking turns	Children asking	Children following	Children can retell a
Development	simple 1 step	clear instructions with	when speaking and	questions to	clear instructions with	story showing a good
of	instructions. Children	2 parts.	responding to their	clarify understanding	3 parts. Children	understanding.
Understanding	understanding	Instruction, telling,	peers and adults with	and confirm	using new knowledge	Children
skills	appropriate 'why'	listen, follow, why,	a clear understanding	knowledge. Children	and vocab in	understanding and
Skills	questions.	question, explain,	of what has been said.	showing a good	conversation and	using a large number
	Instruction, telling,	because.	Turn taking, listening,	understanding of	play. Children	of words and new
Intent	listen, follow, why,	Asking and encouraging	instruction, telling,	texts that have been	showing an	vocabulary in their
Vocabulary	question, explain,	children to answer why	listen, follow, why,	read to them through	understand questions	conversations and
Implementation	because.	questions, giving children clear	question, explain,	their recall.	through their talk and	during discussions.
	Asking and encouraging	instructions with two	because.	Explain, because, why,	actions.	Book specific
	children to answer why	parts e.g. get your coat	Modelling conversations with children and staff,	when, what, how, don't	Instructions, listening,	vocabulary, animals,
	questions, giving children simple clear	and then sit on the	giving children	understand, retell,	follow, explain, repeat,	man-made, Soon, early,
	instructions.	carpet'.	opportunities to talk	vocabulary linked to	non-fiction, how, why,	late, square, triangle,
	mstroctions.	·	with new people e.g.	book language.	where, when, what,	circle, soft, hard,
			asking a doctor	Modelling asking and	because.	smooth.
			questions.	answering questions,	Give children multiple	Modelling retelling
			·	asking children questions in a variety of	instructions to follow verbally, explore a	stories in a variety of means, model
				situations, retelling	variety of texts together	categorising words
				stories as a class	and their features,	explore a range of
				through puppets,	discussions around	adjectives and how
				roleplaying, verbally and	vocabulary and its	these can be used to
				story mapping.	meaning, ask and	verbally describe and
					answer questions.	also be used in writing.
Development	Children speaking in	Children using	Children using talk to	Children using talk to	Children explaining	Children creating an
of Speaking	simple sentences.	expression to	pretend play. Children	clarify their thinking	how things work,	imaginary story of
	Children can say	communicate	explaining things	and ideas. Children	what has happened	their own in play.
skills	simple rhymes and	meaning. Children	through speech.	speaking in well-	and why. Children	Children speak clearly
	sing songs and	starting conversations	Children describing	formed sentences.	solving problems,	in well-formed
Intent	poems. Children	and speaking to	things through	Children using speech	reasoning with others	sentences. Children
	speak to the adults	familiar adults.	speech. Children	to reason and	and fixing friendship	using new vocabulary
Vocabulary	and children in the	Children taking turns	talking in the past	problem solve.	issues through	in different contexts.
Implementation	class, they talk to	and telling past	tense.	Children verbally	speech. Children	Children use past,
	other children during	events. Children		telling stories.	adding detail to their	present, and future
	their play.				sentences. Children	

Sentence, songs, joining in, rhymes, poems, Good morning, right, now, pass me, lets get. Giving children lots of opportunities to talk during carpet time, group tasks, playing, and general discussions, Observations of children. Daily and weekly songs and rhymes built up across the year, children playing in provision every day.

learning about rhyme and alliteration. Conversation, turn taking, why, because, and, cat, hat, good morning how are you. Adults modelling the use of intonation and exploring expression during guided reading sessions. Giving children lots of opportunities to talk during carpet time, group tasks, playing, and general discussions, Observations of children, Daily and weekly songs and rhymes built up across the year, children playing in provision every day. Learning about rhyme and listening to words that rhyme and creating their own.

Pretend this is, ran, fell, why, because, I think, this morning, last night. Giving children lots of opportunities to talk during carpet time, group tasks, playing, and general discussions, Observations of children, Daily and weekly songs and rhymes built up across the year, children playing in provision every day, adults supporting children verbally to use the past tense, recapping activities and the day through conversation or the use of a visual timetable.

I think, because, why, when, does, and, because, next, after that, let's try. Adults modelling and supporting children to resolve problems, giving children lots of opportunities to talk during carpet time, group tasks, playing, and general discussions, Observations of children, Daily and weekly songs and rhymes built up across the year, children playing in provision every day.

describing things that have happened in their life to others. I think, because, why, when, does, and, because, next, after that, let's try, feelings, experience, went to, going to, please, thank Adults guiding children to solve their problems, sequencing stories pictorially and verbally as a class, discussing feelings through conversations and stories, encouraging children to articulate their own feelings.

tenses in conversation with peers and adults. Play, pretend, topic specific vocabulary, now, then, before, after, if, because, so, could, Small world props available daily to allow children to act out stories, support from adults to use the correct tense and speak in full sentences, conversations through whole class inputs, guided group work and 1:1 with peers and adults in the class to happen daily.

The Reception Year provides the foundation for communication and language skills children will build upon in Year one. The national curriculum for English reflects the importance of spoken language in pupils' development across the whole curriculum – cognitively, socially and linguistically. Spoken language underpins the development of reading and writing. The quality and variety of language that pupils hear and speak are vital for developing their vocabulary and grammar and their understanding for reading and writing. Teachers should therefore ensure the continual development of pupils' confidence and competence in spoken language and listening skills. Pupils should develop a capacity to explain their understanding of books and other reading, and to prepare their ideas before they write. They must be assisted in making their thinking clear to themselves as well as to others, and teachers should ensure that pupils build secure foundations by using discussion to probe and remedy their misconceptions. Pupils should also be taught to understand and use the conventions for discussion and debate. All pupils should be enabled to participate in and gain knowledge, skills and understanding associated with the artistic practice of drama. Pupils should be able to adopt, create and sustain a range of roles, responding appropriately to others in role. They should have opportunities to improvise, devise and script drama for one another and a range of audiences, as well as to rehearse, refine, share and respond thoughtfully to drama and theatre performances. Statutory requirements which underpin all aspects of spoken language across the 6 years of primary education form part of the national curriculum.