St Bega's Catholic Primary School

Early Years Curriculum Map 2025-26



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	All About Me	Bears	Wonderful Winter	Exciting Easter	Down On The Farm	Summer Sunshine
	Amazing Autumn	Once Upon a Time	Frozen Places	Growing Plant/Life	Terrific Tales	Holidays Home and Away
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Possible	Class rules and routines, Starting	Bonfire Night,	Valentine's Day,	World Book Day,	International Museum	Father's Day, Sports Day,
Celebrations &	School, Halloween, Autumn,	Children in Need,	Chinese New Year, Numbers	Mother's Day, Pancake	Day, World Biscuit Day,	Transition
Experiences	Black History Month	Remembrance Day, Advent,	day, Safer Internet Day	Day,	World Food Safety day	
		Christmas,		World Art Day,		
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	WELCOME - Baptism: a welcome to	God's family	GROWING - Looking forward to	Easter	FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus	
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Personal, Social	Express when they feel happy,	Is willing to have a go at new	Shows more independence	Uses the toilet	Cam manage when there	Becoming more independent.
and emotional	sad, tired or upset, explore	things.	when exploring areas in the	independently.	are changes in routines.	Shows more control over
development	emotions through stories and	Washes hands after toileting	setting.	Focuses on a task for	Share how they are	their feelings and behaviours.
	discussions.	with reminders to do so.	Uses the visual timetable to	longer periods of time.	feeling with a member of	To sit during circle time and
	Separate from a	Play with one child extending	know what is happening	Shows they are able to	staff.	join in a class session.
	parent/carer with adult support.	and contributing during play.	during the day.	follow rules.	Start to understand	Able to choose resources to
	Begin to follow nursery rules and		Be able to sit during circle	Play with one and more	feelings. (happy, sad,	help them achieve.
	routines with adult support.	Use their own preferences to	time.	children, extending and	tired, worried, angry and	Show confidence with others
	Begins to take turns with support	choose what they want to do.	Develop ways of being	contributing during play.	scared) and begin to	during a social situation.
	from an adult.	Can put on their own coat	assertive.	Begins to talk about	control their emotions.	Manages their behaviour in a
	Begin to make friends.	and become more confident	Able to take turns in	healthy food choices.	Begin to understand how	range of situations.
		with buttons and zips.	roleplay.		someone else might feel.	Uses reason and resolutions
	Recognise and talk about	Talk about how they are	. ,	Identify and moderate		when playing with others.
	different emotions.	feeling and to consider others	Have a good understanding	their own feelings socially		Be able to show a 'can do'
	Follow classroom rules and	feelings.	of the behaviour expectations	and emotionally.	Confident to try new	attitude.
	routines with some reminders.	Begin to take turns and share	and begin to guide others.	Develop independence	things.	Understand the importance
	Become more independent with	resources, developing	Are proud of their	when dressing and	Be able to control their	of healthy food choices.
	daily routines.	patience and understanding.	achievements.	undressing.	emotions using a range of	Be able to have confidence to
	Build positive relationships with	Understand the need to have	Be able to focus during longer	Can talk about healthy	techniques.	communicate with adults
	peers and staff.	rules.	whole class lessons.	food choices and what	Manage own basic needs	around the school.
	Use the toilet and wash hands	Begin to develop friendships.	Begin to show resilience and	makes them healthy.	independently.	around the school.
	independently.	begin to develop mendships.	perseverance in the face of a	Listen to the ideas of	Dress independently.	
	Seek support from adults and		challenge.	other children and agree	'	
	gain confidence to speak to peers		Be able to use taught	on a solution and	Work as a group.	
	and adults.		strategies to support turn	compromise.		
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Communication	Begin to listen to stories and	Listens to simple stories.	Listens to what others are	Sits and listens during	Listens more carefully.	Maintains attention in whole
and Language	nursery rhymes.	Listens to others when they	saying and respond.	longer stories.	Beginning to know they	class and small groups for a
and Language	Begins to listen to instructions	to them.	Begin to pay attention to	Focuses more attention	have to wait their turn	short period of time.
	given. Understands 1 key word	Shows an understanding of	more than one thing at a	on a chosen activity.	when speaking.	Begins to understand why
	instruction.	what has been read to them	time.	Retells a past event in	Understand prepositional	questions.
	Listens during adult guided	using the pictures.	Recall some key events from	their life.	language on & under	Understand 2 step simple
	activities. Focuses on an activity	Understands simple concepts	a story.	Take turns speaking and	Asks why questions	instructions or question.
	of own choice for a short period	Big/small etc	Answers a simple question.	listening during a	during a conversation.	ilistructions of question.
	of time.	Use words to communicate	Recite nursery rhymes from	conversation.	Begins to use a wider	Respond appropriately during
	Links words together when	their needs and make	memory.	conversation.	range of vocabulary	a conversation.
	_	themselves understood.	, ·	Maintains attention in	_	
	speaking. Use words to communicate their		Begin to link sentences using	Maintains attention in	during play.	Use talk to organise their
	needs.	Asks What questions.	conjunctions.	different contexts. Shows attention to both	Be able to speak using 4 – 6-word sentences.	play.
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	Retell familiar nursery rhymes.	Listens more attentively on	Develops listening skills in a	adults and peers. Ask questions to clarify	Can fallow a 2 mart	Listens attentively to adults
	Doginning to liston to others in	the carpet and during guided	different situation, carpet		Can follow a 3-part	and peers.
	Beginning to listen to others in	activities to the teacher and	time, phonics, assembly etc.	understanding and	instruction.	Shows a good level of
	the setting.	peers.	Shows a good level of	Shows a good	Uses new knowledge and	attention during learning
	Listens during story time and	Can verbally retell a story.	attention and concentration	understanding of texts	vocabulary during play.	tasks.
	shows an interest in books being	Understand a question how,	during guided and	they have heard suing	Understand a question	Retells a story showing a
	read to them.	where, when.	independent activities.	recall.	such as who, what,	good understanding.
						Understands and uses a wide

	Understand how to listen carefully and know why it is important. Speaks in simple sentences. Recites simple rhymes, songs and poems. Talk in front of small groups and their teacher offering their own ideas.	Use expression to communicate meaning. Initiates conversations with peers and familiar adults Be able to have conversations with adults and peers with back-and-forth exchanges. Understand how and why questions. Use new vocabulary throughout the day.	Use talk to describe and explain during play. Uses past tense. Ask questions to find out more. Talk in sentences using connectives.	Uses talk to clarify their thinking and ideas. Speaks in well-formed sentences. To engage in non-fiction books and to use new vocabulary in different contexts.	where, when, why and how. Use talk to explain how things work, what has happened and why. Uses speech to reason and solve problems with their peers.	range of vocabulary in their conversations and discussion. Talk in sentences using a range of tenses.
Physical Development	Explores moving their body in different ways. Climbs using two feet at a time. Scoops and pours sand. Claps and stamps to music. Shows can use one handed tools. Uses a palm grip while using mark making tools. Uses spring scissors to make snips in paper. Move safely in a space. Use tripod grip when using mark making tools. Develop scissor skills cutting around regular shapes. Form letters in their name correctly. Shows Increasing independence fastening zips and doing buttons.	Moves body to music showing when they can stop and start. Develop ball skills (rolling & kicking) Explores a range of fine motor activities. Explore different ways to travel using equipment. Accurately draw lines, circles and shapes to draw pictures. Begin to learn correct letter formation and use these in their writing	To be able to control a ball in different ways, balance on a variety of equipment and climb. Begin to hold mark making tools with a four-finger grip. Use construction equipment correctly to build e.g. Duplo Develop more independence with spring scissors. Shows increasing control over a ball. Continue to develop body strength, balance and coordination. Handle scissors, pencil and glue effectively. Develop correct letter formation.	To jump and land safely from a height. Begin to hold a pencil with a modified tripod grip to show control. Make more controlled marks when mark making. Manipulate dough through rolling, squeezing, patting and balling. Jump and land safely from a height. Negotiate space successfully and adjust speed and direction. Use cutlery appropriately. Form recognisable letters using an effective pencil grip.	To move safely with confidence and imagination in a range of ways. Child shows a preference for a dominant hand. Draw and paint using shapes and pictures. Demonstrate a growing independence putting on a coat and shoes, begin to do zips. Move in a range of ways confidently including running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing. Hold scissors correctly and cut out small shapes. Begin to use a tripod grip to draw and write accurately.	Develop and refine simple ball skills. Begin to form some letters of their name. Accurately copy prewriting shapes. Begin to use a knife and fork. Play by the rules and develop coordination. Negotiates space and obstacles safely. Use a range of small tools effectively. To form letters correctly using a tripod grip.
Literacy	Joins in with repeated phrases for familiar stories. Begin to recognise their own name. Recognise some print familiar out of context. Begin to show an interest in illustrations and print in books and print in the environment. Discriminates between sounds. Draw basic pictures. Use lines to look like writing.	Expresses simple likes about a shared story. Develops book handling skills. Can draw curved lines in both clockwise and anti-clockwise directions. Knows that print carries meaning. Write symbols and shapes that looks like writing. Assign meaning to marks during play.	Answers who and what questions linked to stories shared. Ascribes meanings to marks. Write random letters with no connection between letters and sounds. Begin to practically sequence letters in their name.	Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Sequence 3 nursery rhyme pictures in the correct order. Identify words that rhyme in a word game. Responds to focus texts through mark making.	Recognise their own name and some familiar words e.g. mam, dad etc Shows an awareness of alliteration. Explain what has been read to them in their own words. Understand that print is read from left to right and from top to bottom. Begin to orally blend and segment.	Begin to recognise words that rhyme in stories. Expresses their ideas and views about the characters and events in the story. Begin to understand Where Questions. Retell some of the things that have happened in a story that has been read to them. Order 3 simple events in a story

	Scribble writing left to right direction. Begin to assign meaning. Engages and enjoys an increasing range of books. Answer simple retrieval questions Say what they think will happen next in a story. Have an awareness of 5 concepts of print. Names Labels Hear and say sounds in VC & CVC words. Link sounds with letters. Focus: Name CVC words Sounds Write Units 1-4	Acts out stories using recently introduced vocabulary. Show that they have understood what has been read to them by answering how and why questions. Write simple lists. Link sounds to letters Use phonic knowledge to spell simple words. Form letters with care. Sequence stories. Focus: Name CVC words List/labels Sounds Write Units 5-7	Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Talk about the characters in the books they are reading. Use phonic knowledge to spell simple words and write simple captions. Focus: List/labels Captions Sounds Write Units 8-10	Use letter strings which travel from left to right and top to bottom. Sequence stories. Compare and contrast characters from stories. Use phonic knowledge to spell simple words and write simple captions. Read and write high frequency words. Focus: Recipes/Instructions Captions Sounds Write Unit 11	Write letters with spaces. between them to resemble the idea of words. Overwrite name. Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary. Use phonics to spell. Write simple sentences. Read and write high frequency words. Focus: Story Writing Sentences Sounds Write Unit 11	Have an awareness of 5 concepts of print. Develop oral blending and segmenting skills. Beginning to record some sounds in sequence. Copies words seen in the environment. Attempts to write name. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems Able to answer a range of questions about what they have read. Use phonics to spell words and write sentences. Use Phonic knowledge to read their own work out aloud. Read and write high frequency words. Focus: Post cards Recount Sounds Write Bridging Unit
Mathematics	Explore colour (& colour mixing) Match and sort objects. Develop fast recognition of up to 2 objects Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3, Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total Begin to show 'finger numbers' up to 3 then 5. Link numerals and amounts Compare sizes using gestures and language: 'bigger/little/small' Talk about and identify the patterns around them Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes Match and sort objects. Compare amounts using language more and fewer.		Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising'). Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5. Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Begin to recite numbers past 5. Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle'). Begin to link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5. Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'		set of objects tells you how n principle') Link numerals and amounts: number of objects to match t	using language: 'more than', eached when counting a small hany there are in total ('cardinal for example, showing the right the numeral, up to 5. al problems with numbers up to of events in daily routines, stories.

	Recite numbers to 5. Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Link numerals and amounts to 5. Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total Count objects, actions and sounds to 5 Compare numbers up to 5 Experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals. Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers within 5. Explore the composition of numbers to 5 Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity. Talk about and identify the patterns around them. Extend and create ABAB patterns Talk about and explore 2D shapes using informal and mathematical language Understand position through words alone. Discuss routes and locations Begin to describe a sequence of events, real or fictional, using words such as 'first', 'then' Compose and decompose shapes Select, rotate and manipulate shapes to develop spatial reasoning skill		Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity. Count to 10 and beyond Compare numbers to 10 using language: more, fewer, less, equal to Count objects, actions and sounds to 10 Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers. Explore the composition of numbers to 10. Conceptual subitising to 5 Begin to recall number bonds for numbers 0-5 and some to 10. Begin to know doubles to 5 Explore odd and even Continue to talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes using informal and mathematical language Select, rotate and manipulate shapes to develop spatial reasoning skills Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just as numbers can Compare length, weight and capacity. Continue, copy and create repeating patterns		Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number. Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5 Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds to 5 (including subtraction facts) Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number. Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5 Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts. Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system. Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater, less than or the same as another quantity. Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens, odds double facts how quantities can be distributed evenly. Continue to explore 2D and 3D shapes using mathematical language Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just as numbers can. Continue, copy and create repeating patterns	
Understanding of the World	Explore changes in Autumn. Talk about their immediate family and their role in the family. Use all of their senses to explore collections of natural materials, e.g., shells, leaves talking about what they can see.	Explore collections of different materials with similar and different properties. Use language to describe common features of materials, e.g. colour, texture, size. Know about family celebrations.	Explore what happens on cold winter days. Talk about the clothes they need for different seasons/weather and why. Know about people who help us. Understand how people help us.	Explore growing seeds, begin to understand that plants need water and light to survive and grow. Explore plants using all their senses to learn more about them. Begin to use basic scientific vocabulary to describe parts of plants.	Examine animals to find out more about them using their senses to explore. Use simple language to describe animals. Understands the need for care and respect for living things.	Explore changes over time. Explore how things work, using push and pull toys. Understand there is a range of transport available, and these serve a purpose. Know the difference between old and new.
	Understand and describe how the seasons can affect the natural world and how things grow e.g. acorns and conkers are found in autumn and some trees have no leaves in winter. Know there are different types of housing. Learn about the solar system and stars. Explore collections of different materials with similar and different properties.		Talk about the lives of people around them. Talk about features of the environment they are in and learn about the different environments.	Explain a simple lifecycle, E.g., sunflower Know why we celebrate Easter. Make close observations of plants in the natural world, make comparisons and	Understand how animals and humans grow and change over time. Use the correct basic scientific vocabulary to describe parts of their bodies and animals.	Explore how things work Explore and talk about different forces they can feel Know that there are many countries around the world. Know that people in other countries may speak different languages.

	Understand they live in Hartlepool. With help, locate Hartlepool on a globe and map. Know where the local Headland shops, school and Church are Know why there is a need for shops, schools, churches, etc. Understand there are different places on the globe (land and water) Know that the name of the sea where we live is the North Sea. Know about their own life story and know they have changed. Know about features of the immediate environment. Explore and ask questions about the natural environment around them Talk about past and present events in their lives	Name some common natural and man-made materials, e.g. sand, wood, glass, brick, plastic, clay, fabric etc with adult support. Describe and make comparisons between materials. Experiment with making changes to materials. Ask and answer 'how' and 'why' questions such as how things happened and how things work. Classify objects according to their properties. Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now. Know about the past through settings, characters.	identify similarities differences. Understand what a need to survive an healthily (water, lig warmth). Use the correct bascientific vocabula describe parts of punderstand throug and observations the plants change, and explain a range of lifecycles. Understand how pure grow and change. Explore plants in the natural world, make observations and of plants. Know that people the world have direligions.	observations understand that animals change. Explore animals in the natural world, making observations and drawings. Make close observations of animals in the natural world. I make comparisons and identify similarities and differences. lants ne cing lrawings around	Know that people around the world have different religions. Look at objects from the past and comment on appearance with adult prompts.
Expressive Arts and Design		aged in adult directed activities ugh art. work sts encountered in class teaching and adul orks using simple sentences, expressing a s s in the artwork. nple language. nt and make marks marks with paint. colours to create painted artworks.	nple opinion about an artwork. Paint simple shapes and	d images that can be recognised or ex r ideas and feelings through art. te simple 3-d sculptures.	plained by the child

	Join different materials together. Use pre-made stamps & found objects to explore printmaking. Join in with simple repetitive rhymes and songs. Experiment mixing with colours. Sing and perform nursery rhymes. Use pre-made stamps & found objects to explore printmaking. Notice and continue simple patterns (ABAB).	Make choices about which materials to use when creating. Perform songs and dances in a Christmas performance. Experiment with different textures. Experiment with different instruments and their sounds.	Create closed shapes with continuous lines. Explore sounds that can be made from percussion. Safely explore different techniques for joining materials. Create narratives based around stories.	Begin to include details on drawings. Follows teacher's signals/instructions when playing instruments (play and stop) Make props and costumes for different role play scenarios. Move in time to the music.	Represent feelings, noises and movements through drawing. Create own songs using musical accompaniments. Explore and use a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Play an instrument following a musical pattern.	Explore colouring mixing. Join different materials together. Begin to cut and tear materials. Share likes and dislikes about a piece of music. To share creations, talk about process and evaluate their work. Use junk objects to create their own designs. Make to create an outcome. Begin to consider how to join materials together. Invent their own narratives, stories and poems.
Roleplay Areas	Home Corner	Hot Chocolate Stand/Santa's Workshop	Hospital/Vets Supermarket Police station	Garden Centre	Pizza Shop Farm shop	Travel Agents/Airport
Possible Visits Events	Ward Jackson Park Pumkin Picking	Walk to the Post office (letter to Santa) Pantomime	Fire station Visit Nurse visitor Police Visitor	Butterfly world Garden Centre Observe life cycle of butterflies/ chicks	Farm Visit	Beach Picnic
Home/School links	Parents Curriculum Meeting Phonics and fun morning	Nativity Performance Stay and Play	Reading and rhyme stay and play	Easter Stay and Play	Stay & Play Reports	Sports Day Reception New Starters Meeting