

St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

Early Years Progression of Skills Map

Literacy – Word Reading and Comprehension				
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary
Listen and respond to a	Know many rhymes, be able to	Engage in story times.	Demonstrate understanding of	Rhyme, print, words,
simple instruction.	talk about familiar books, and be	Listen to and talk about stories	what has been read to them by	letters, sounds, books,
	able to tell a long story.	to build familiarity and	retelling stories and narratives	story, grapheme, phoneme,
Listen to simple stories and		understanding.	using their own words and	digraph, trigraph, blend,
understand what is	Understand the five key concepts		recently introduced vocabulary.	segment, capital letter, lower
happening, with the help of	about print: print has meaning,	Retell the story, once they have		case, once upon a time, happily
the pictures.	print can have different purposes,	developed a deep familiarity		ever after, beginning, middle,
	we read English text from left to	with the text, some as exact	Anticipate – where appropriate	end, character, fiction, non-
Understand simple questions	right and from top to bottom, the	repetition and some in their	- key events in stories.	fiction, tricky word.
about 'who', 'what' and	names of the different parts of a	own words.		
'where' (but generally not	book, page sequencing.			Links to Characteristics of
'why').		Engage in non-fiction books.	Use and understand recently	Effective Learning
			introduced vocabulary during	
Enjoy listening to longer	Develop their phonological	Listen to and talk about	discussions about stories, non-	Willing to have a go.
stories and can remember	awareness, so that they can: spot	selected non-fiction to	fiction, rhymes and poems and	
much of what happens.	and suggest rhymes, count or clap	develop a deep familiarity with	during role-play.	Keep on trying.
10 - 10	syllables in a word, recognise	new knowledge and		
Use a wider range of	words with the same initial sound,	vocabulary.		Being involved and
vocabulary.	such as money and mother.	and foldering courses the	Say a sound for each letter in	concentrating.
		Read individual letters by	the alphabet and at least 10	_
Notice some print, such as	Engage in extended conversations	saying the sounds	digraphs.	
the	about stories, learning new	for them.		
first letter of their name, a	vocabulary.		Read words consistent with	
bus or door number, or a		Blend sounds into words, so	their phonic knowledge by	
familiar logo.		that they can read short words	sound-blending.	
		made up of known letter-		
		sound correspondences.	Read aloud simple sentences	
			and books that are consistent	

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Read some letter groups that	with their phonic knowledge,	
each represent one sound and	including some common	
say sounds for them.	exception words.	
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Read a few common exception		
words matched to the school's		
phonic programme.		
Read simple phrases and		
sentences made up of		
words with known letter-sound		
correspondences and, where		
necessary, a few exception		
words		
Re-read these books to build up		
their confidence in word		
reading, their fluency and their		
understanding and enjoyment.		

	Literacy – Writing					
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary		
Enjoy drawing freely.	Use some of their print and	Develop the foundations of a	Write recognisable letters, most	Print, words, sound, segment, blend, letter		
	letter knowledge in their early	handwriting style, which is	of which are correctly formed.	formation,		
Add some marks to their	writing. For example: writing a	fast,		capital letter, full stop, finger space,		
drawings, which they give	pretend shopping list that	accurate and efficient.	Spell words by identifying	grapheme, phoneme, digraph, trigraph,		
meaning to. For example:	starts at the top of the page;		sounds in them and	sound out, word, sentence.		
"That says mummy."	writing 'm' for mummy.	Form lower-case and capital	representing the			
		letters correctly.	sounds with a letter or letters.	Links to Characteristics of		
Make marks on their	Write some or all of their			Effective Learning		
picture to stand for	name.	Spell words by identifying the	Write simple phrases and	Using senses to explore the world around		
their name.		sounds and then writing the	sentences that can be read by	them.		
	Write some letters accurately.	sound with letter/s	others.	Taking risks and learning by trial and error.		
Start to make marks		15		Showing a curiosity about objects, events		
Intentionally.		Write short sentences with		and people.		
		words with known sound-		Maintaining focus on their activity for a		
		letter correspondences using a		period of time.		
		capital letter and full stop.		Thinking of ideas.		
				Finding ways to solve problems.		
		Re-read what they have		Making links and noticing patterns in their		
		written to check that it makes		experience.		
		sense.		Making predictions.		
				Testing their ideas.		
				Developing ideas of grouping, sequences		
				cause and effect.		

Maths – Number and Numerical Patterns				
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary
Take part in finger rhymes	Develop fast recognition of up to 3	Count objects, actions and	Have a deep understanding of	Number, numeral, digit, count,
with	objects, without having to	sounds.	number to 10, including the	subitise, add, subtract, equals,
numbers.	count them individually		composition of each number.	5 frame, 10 frame, how many,
	('subitising').	Subitise.		total, more, less, odd, even,
React to changes of amount in				pattern, shapes, 2d shape, 3d
a group of up to three items.	Recite numbers past 5.	Link the number symbol	Subitise (recognise quantities	shape, problem, position,
Compare amounts, saying		(numeral) with	without counting) up to 5.	group, bigger, smaller, heavier,
'lots', 'more' or 'same'.	Say one number for each item in	its cardinal number value.		lighter, longer shorter, count
	order: 1,2,3,4,5.			on, count back, double, half,
Develop counting-like	Know that the last number reached	Count beyond ten.	Automatically recall (without	share, days of the week,
behaviour, such as making	when counting a small set of		reference to rhymes, counting	seasons
sounds, pointing or saying	objects tells you how many there	Compare numbers.	or other aids) number bonds up	
some numbers in sequence.	are in total ('cardinal principle').		to 5 (including subtraction	Links to Characteristics of
		Understand the 'one more	facts) and some number bonds	Effective Learning
Count in everyday contexts,	Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Link	than/one less	to 10, including double facts.	Using senses to explore the
sometimes skipping numbers	numerals and amounts: for	than' relationship between		world around them.
-	example, showing the right	consecutive numbers.	Verbally count beyond 20,	
'1-2-3-5'.	number of objects to match the		recognising the pattern of the	Taking risks and learning by
	numeral, up to 5.		counting system.	trial and error.
Complete inset puzzles		Explore the composition of		
Compare sizes, weights etc.		numbers to	Compare quantities up to 10 in	Showing a curiosity about
using gesture and language -	Experiment with their own symbols	10.	different contexts, recognising	objects, events and people.
'bigger/little/smaller',	and marks as well as		when one quantity is greater	
'high/low', 'tall', 'heavy'.	numerals.	Automatically recall number	than, less than or the same as	Maintaining focus on their
		bonds for	the other quantity.	activity for a period of time.
	Solve real world mathematical	numbers 0–5 and some to		
Notice patterns and arrange	problems with numbers up to 5.	10.		Thinking of ideas.
things in patterns.			Explore and represent patterns	
	Compare quantities using	Select, rotate and	within numbers up to 10	Finding ways to solve problems.
	language: 'more than', 'fewer	manipulate shapes to	including evens and	
	than'.	develop spatial reasoning	odds, double facts and how	Making links and noticing
		skills.	quantities can be distributed	patterns in their experience.

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Talk about and explore 2D and 3D	Commence and descentions	equally.	Making ungelisting
shapes (for example, circles,	Compose and decompose		Making prediction.
rectangles, triangles and cuboids)	shapes so that children		
using informal and	recognise a shape can have		Testing their ideas.
mathematical language: 'sides',	other shapes within it, just as		
'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'.	numbers can.		Developing ideas of grouping,
			sequences cause and effect.
Understand position through	Continue, copy and create		
words alone – for example, "The	repeating patterns.		
bag is under the table," – with no	Compare length, weight and		
pointing.	capacity.		
Describe a familiar route. Discuss			
routes and locations, using			
words like 'in front of' and			
'behind'.			
Extend and create ABAB patterns -			
stick, leaf, stick, leaf.			
Notice and correct an error in a			
repeating pattern.			
Begin to describe a sequence of			
events, real or fictional, using			
words such as 'first', 'then'			
Select shapes appropriately: flat			
surfaces for building, a			
triangular prism for a roof, etc.			
Combine shapes to make new ones			
– an arch, a bigger triangle, etc			
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	Knowledge and Understanding of the World -Science – The natural World				
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary	
Explore materials with different properties.	Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing. Talk about what they see, using a wide	Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and	Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing,	Seasons, weather, natural materials, life cycle, same, different, solid, liquid, wood, plastic, metal, fabric,	
Explore natural materials, indoors and outdoors.	vocabulary. Explore how things work.	wellbeing.regular physical activityhealthy eating	going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.	glass, hard, soft, rough, smooth, shiny, dull, natural, manmade, light, dark, night, daytime, hibernation,	
Use all of their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials. Explore collections of materials with similar	Plant seeds and care for growing plants. Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal	 toothbrushing sensible amounts of 'screen time' having a good sleep routine being a safe pedestrian 	Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.	environment, hot, cold, sun, moon, body parts, senses, growth, change Links to Characteristics of Effective Learning Using senses to explore the world around them.	
and/or different properties.	Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.	Explore the natural world around them.	Know some similarities and differences between the	Taking risks and learning by trial and error. Showing a curiosity about objects,	
	Talk about the differences between materials and the changes they notice.	Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside	natural world and contrasting environments, Drawing on their	events and people. Maintaining focus on their activity for a period of time.	
	Explore and talk about different forces they can feel.	Recognise some environments that are different from the ones in which they live	experiences and what has been read in class. Understand some	Thinking of ideas. Finding ways to solve problems. Making links and noticing patterns in their experience.	
		Understand the effect of the changing seasons on the natural world around them.	important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the spaces and	Making predictions. Testing their ideas.	
			including the seasons and changing states of matter	Developing ideas of grouping, sequences and effect.	

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Knowledge and Understanding of the World - Geography – People, culture and communities				
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary
Birth – 3 years Explore and respond to different natural phenomena in their setting and on trips.	Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos.	Reception children Draw information from a simple map Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live	ELGDescribe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and when appropriate maps.Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.	Key vocabularyTown, village, road, path, house, map, globe, plan, busy, quiet, pollution,Earth, England, Barrow, Cumbria, country, world, beach, seaside.Links to Characteristics of Effective Learning Using senses to explore the world around them.Taking risks and learning by trial and error.Showing curiosity about objects, events and people. Maintaining focus on their activity for a period of time. Thinking of ideas. Finding ways to solve problems Making links and noticing patterns in their experience. Testing their ideas Developing ideas of grouping, sequences, cause and effect.

	Knowledge and Uno	derstanding of the World - Hist	ory – Past & Present	
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary
Begin to make sense of	Begin to make sense of their own life-	Comment on images of familiar	Talk about the lives of the	Old, new, before, now, a long time
their own life-story and	story and family's history.	situations in the past.	people around them and	ago, baby, toddler, teenager , adult,
family's history.		Compare & contrast characters	their roles in society.	special time, family, after, changes ,
		from stories, including figures		yesterday
		from the past.	Know some similarities and	
			differences between things	Links to Characteristics of
			in the past and now,	Effective Learning
			drawing own their	Showing a curiosity about objects,
			experiences and what has	events and people
			been read in class.	Finding ways to solve problems Making links and noticing patterns
			Understand the past	in their experience
			through settings,	Making predictions
			characters and events	Developing ideas of grouping,
			encountered in books read	sequences cause and effect.
			in class and storytelling.	
			Express their ideas and	
			feelings about their	
			experiences using full	
			sentences, including use of	
			past, present and future	
			tenses and making use of	
			conjunctions, with	
			modelling and support	
			from their teacher	

	Knowledge and Understanding of the World - RE – People, Cultures and Communities					
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary		
Make connections	Continue developing positive attitudes	Talk about members of their	Talk about the lives of the	Families, culture, celebrations,		
between the features of	about the differences between people.	immediate family and	people around them and	Christmas, Eid, Halloween, bonfire		
their family and other		community.	their society	night, Remembrance Day, Muslim,		
families		-000		Christian, fireworks, family, same,		
		Name and describe people who	Know some similarities and	different, share		
Notice differences		are familiar to them.	differences between			
between people.			different religious and	Links to Characteristics of		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Understand that some places	cultural communities in	Effective Learning		
Begin to make sense of		are special to members of their	this country, drawing on	Showing a curiosity about objects,		
their own life- story and		community.	their experiences and what	events and people.		
family's history		.386	has been read in class.	Finding ways to solve problems.		
		Recognise that people have		Making links and noticing patterns		
		different beliefs and celebrate	Explain some similarities	in their experience.		
		special times in different ways	and differences between	Developing ideas of grouping,		
			life in this country and life	sequences cause and effect.		
			in other countries, drawing			
			on knowledge from stories,			
			non-fiction texts and -			
			when appropriate – maps.			

	Expressive Art and Design, creating with materials, being imaginative and expressive					
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary		
Explore paint using fingers	Create closed shapes with continuous	Explore, use and refine a	Safely use and explore a	Colour names, mix, paint, texture,		
and other parts of their	lines and begin to use these shapes to	variety of artistic effects to	variety of materials, tools	push, pull, smooth, shiny, rough,		
bodies as well as brushes	represent objects.	express their ideas and	and techniques,	prickly, flat, patterned, jagged,		
and other tools.		feelings.	experimenting with colour,	bumpy, soft, hard, collage, draw,		
	Draw with increasing complexity and		design, texture, form and	chalking, lighter, darker.		
Express ideas and feelings	detail, such as representing a face		function.			
through making marks, and	with a circle and including details.			Links to Characteristics of		
sometimes give a meaning			Share their creations,	Effective Learning		
to the marks they make.	Use drawing to represent ideas like		explaining the process they	Showing a curiosity about objects,		
	movement or loud noises.		have used.	events and people		
Explore different materials,						
using all their senses to	Show different emotions in their			Finding ways to solve problems		
investigate them.	drawings and paintings, like					
	happiness, sadness, fear etc.			Making links and noticing patterns		
				in their experience		
	Explore colour and colour mixing					
				Making predictions		
	Show different emotions in their					
	drawings- happiness, sadness, fear			Developing ideas of grouping,		
	etc.			sequencing, cause and effect.		

[Design and Technology – Expressive Art and Design, Creating Materials, Being Imaginative and Expressive				
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary	
Manipulate and play with	Begin to develop complex stories	Explore, use and refine a	Safely use and explore a	Design, make, build, construct,	
different materials.	using small world equipment like	variety of artistic effects to	variety of materials, tools	model, join, cut, stick, scissors,	
	animal sets, dolls and dolls houses	express their ideas and feelings.	and techniques	paintbrush, glue, tape, paint, knife,	
Use their imaginations as	etc.		experimenting with colour,	spoon, fork.	
they consider what they		Return to and build on their	design, texture, form and		
can do with different	Make imaginative and complex 'small	previous learning, refining ideas	function.	Links to Characteristics of	
materials.	worlds' with blocks and construction	and developing their ability to		Effective Learning	
	kits, such as a city with different	represent them.	Share their creations,	Showing a curiosity about	
Make simple models	buildings and a park.		explaining the process they	objects, events and people.	
which express their ideas.		Create collaboratively, sharing	have used.		
	Take part in small pretend play, using	resources, ideas and skills.		Finding ways to solve problems.	
Start to develop pretend	an object to represent something		Make use of props and		
play, pretending that one	else even though they are not similar.		materials when role	Making links and exposing patterns	
object represents			playing characters in	in their experiences.	
another. For example, a	Explore different materials freely to		narratives and stories.		
child holds to her ear and	develop their ideas about how to use			Making predictions.	
pretends it's a phone	them and what to make.				
				Developing ideas of grouping,	
	Develop their own ideas and then			sequences cause and effect.	
	decide which materials to use to				
	express them. Join different materials				
	and explore different textures.				

	Computing – taken from birth to 5					
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary		
Anticipate repeated sounds Sights and actions, e.g. When an adult demonstrates an action toy several times. Shows interest in toys with buttons, flaps and simple mechanisms and begins to learn to operate them. Seeks to acquire basic skills in turning on and operating Operates mechanical toys, e.g., Turns knob on a wind- up toy or pulls back on a friction car.	3 and 4 year olds Knows how to operate simple equipment, e.g., Turns on CD player, uses a remote control, can navigate touch-capable technology with support. Shows an interest in technological toys with knobs or pulleys real objects such as cameras, and touch screen devices such as mobile phones and tablets. Shows skill in making toys work by pressing parts or lifting flaps to achieve effects such as sound, movements or new images. Knows that information can be	Reception childrenCompletes a simple program on electronic devices.Uses ICT Hardware to interact with age appropriate computer software.Can create content such as video recording, stories, and/or draw a picture on a screen.Develop digital literacy skills by being able to access understand and interact with a range of technologies.Can use the internet with adult supervision to find and retrieve		Key vocabulary Laptop, computer, mouse, app, iPad, keyboard, find, search, internet, record, photograph, Video Links to Characteristics of Effective Learning Showing a curiosity about objects, events and people. Finding ways to solve problems Making lists and noting patterns in their experience. Making predictions. Developing ideas of grouping, sequences cause and effect.		
Plays with water to investigate "low technology" such as washing and cleaning.	retrieved from digital devices and the internet. Plays with a range of materials to	information of interest to them.				
	learn cause and effect, for example, makes a string puppet using dowels and string to suspend the puppet.					

	Music – Expressive Art and Des	ign, Creating with Materials, B	eing imaginative and Expres	ssive
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary
Enjoy singing, music and	Sing a large repertoire of songs.	Listen carefully to rhymes and	Sing a range of well-known	Banging, shaking, tapping, blowing,
toys that make sounds.		songs, paying attention to how	nursery rhymes and songs.	clapping, songs, instrument (tuned
	Know many rhymes, be able to talk	they sound.		and untuned) sound. Low. High,
Use intonation, pitch	about familiar books, and be able to		Perform songs, rhymes,	loud, quiet, repeat, copy, beat
and changing volume	tell a long story.	Learn rhymes, poems and	poems and stories with	
when 'talking'.		songs.	others, and – when	
	Listen with increased attention to		appropriate – try to move	Links to Characteristics of
Say some of the words	sounds.	Listen attentively move to and	in time with the music.	Effective Learning
in songs and rhymes.		talk about music, express their		Showing curiosity about objects,
	Respond to what they have heard,	feelings and responses.		events and people
Sing songs and as	expressing their thoughts and feelings.			
		Watch and talk about dance		Finding ways to solve problems
	Remember and sing entire songs. Sing	and performing art, expressing		
	the pitch of a tone sung by another	their feelings and responses		Making links and noticing patterns
	person ('pitch match')			in their experience
		Sing in a group or on their own,		
	Sing the melodic song (moving melody,	increasingly matching the pitch		Making predictions
	such as up and down, down and up) of	and following the melody.		
	familiar songs.			Developing ideas of grouping,
		Explore and engage in music		sequences cause and effect.
	Create their own songs or improvise a	making and dance, performing		
	song around one they know.	solo or in groups.		
	Play instruments with increasing			
	control to express their feelings and			
	ideas.			

PSED – Self Regulation, Managing Self and Building Relationships					
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary	
Start to say how they are feeling,	Develop their sense of	Build constructive and	Show an understanding of	Happy, sad, angry, safe, lonely,	
using words as well as actions.	responsibility and	respectful relationships.	their own feelings and those	scared, worried, family, friends,	
	membership of a		of others and begin to	comm unity, same, different, rules,	
Start to develop conversation, often	community.	See themselves as a valuable	regulate their behaviour	kind, healthy, teamwork.	
jumping from topic to topic.		individual.	accordingly.		
	Become more outgoing				
Establish their sense of self.	with unfamiliar people,	Express their feelings and	Be confident to try new		
	in the safe context of	consider the feelings of	activities and show		
Express preferences and decisions.	their setting.	others.	independence, resilience and		
They also try new things and start			perseverance in the face of		
establishing their autonomy.	Show more confidence	Identify and moderate their	challenge.		
	in new social situations.	own feelings socially and			
Feel confident when taken out around		emotionally.	Explain the reason for rules,		
the local neighbourhood and enjoy	Play with one or more		know right from wrong and		
exploring new places with their key	other children,		try to behave accordingly.	Links to Characteristics of	
person.	extending and			Effective Learning	
	elaborating play ideas.		Work and play cooperatively	Showing a curiosity about objects,	
Feel strong enough to express a range			and take turns with others.	events and people.	
of emotions.	Increasingly follow rules,				
	understanding why they		Form positive attachments	Finding ways to solve problems.	
Develop friendships with other	are important.		to adults and friendships		
children.			with peers	Making links and noticing patterns	
Tall a baset that is facility as in more	Talk about their			in their experience.	
Talk about their feelings in more	feelings using words like		Show sensitivity to their own		
elaborate ways "I'm sad because" or	'happy', 'sad', 'angry', or		and other's needs.	Making predictions.	
"I love it when"	'worried'.			Developing ideas of mounting	
			Set and work towards simple	Developing ideas of grouping,	
			goals, being able to wait for	sequences cause and effect	
			what they want and control		
			their immediate impulses		
			when appropriate.		

		PE		
Birth – 3 years	3 and 4 year olds	Reception children	ELG	Key vocabulary
Birth – 3 years Clap and stamp to music. Enjoy starting to kick, throw and catch balls. Build independently with a range of appropriate resources. Spin, roll and independently use ropes and swings (for example, tyre swings)	Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and ball skills. Go up steps and stairs, or climb up apparatus, using alternate feet. Skip, hop stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues. Use large muscle-movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks.	Reception children Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: • rolling • rolling • crawling • walking • jumping • ronning • hopping • climbing	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.	Key vocabularyRun, walk, jump, roll, climb.Kick, bounce, move, twist,tiptoe, stretch, turn, reach,freeze, team, instructions, fast,slow, start, stopLinks to Characteristics ofEffective LearningShowing a curiosity aboutobjects, events and people.Finding ways to solveproblems.
Use large and small motor skills to do things independently, for example manage buttons and zips, pour drinks. Show an increasing desire to be independent, such as wanting to feed themselves and dress and undress. Start eating with a knife and fork.	Use one handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. Show a preference for a dominant hand. Be increasingly independent as they get dresses and undressed, for example, putting on coats and doing up zips. Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting. For example, they decide to whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank, depending on its length and width.	style of moving, with developing control and grace. Develop the overall body strength, coordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives forks and spoons.	Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using 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	Making links and noticing patterns in their experience. Making predictions. Developing ideas of grouping, sequences cause and effect.

Choose the right resources to carry out	Use their core muscle strength to
their own plan. For example, choosing a	achieve a good posture when
spade to enlarge a small hole dug with a	sitting at a table or sitting on the
trowel.	floor.
Collaborate with others to manage large	Combine different movements
items such as moving a long plank safely,	with ease and fluency
carrying large, hollow blocks.	
	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.