

| Understanding the World Lo Early Years | | Long-Term Plan | St Paul's Catholic Primary |
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| | TERM 1 | TERM 2 | TERM 3 |
| Pre school 2- 3 years | I can explore natural materials both inside and outside. I can explore different natural phenomena in the setting, e.g. splashing in puddles, seeing the flowers in spring, looking for insects in the garden. I repeat newly taught language which directly links to my experiences. | I can carefully handle nature, e.g. holding insects, walking past the flowers. I can notice differences between myself and other people. | I can notice differences between myself and other people I meet and see in stories. I can use specific language to talk about our natural spaces in the nursery. |
| Pre school 3-4 years | I use my senses to explore a variety of natural materials. I can explore collections of different materials. I explore the garden and talk about what I have found. | I can talk about the similarities and difference between natural items, e.g this bark is rough, this one is smooth. I can recall and talk about events from my own life. I can plant seeds with adult support and talk about how they change as they grow. I can talk about how materials change overtime, e.g. how ingredients melt together during a cooking activity. | I know about different jobs people can do and talk about what I would like to do one day. I can talk about what makes different places around the world special. I explore how things work and am interested to explore new objects and items. I can recall how natural objects have changed overtime, e.g. the leaves fell off the tree. I can talk about different forces I can feel, e.g. the water pushing back when I try to push a boat underneath it. |
| Reception 4-5 years | I can talk about my family and why they're important to me. I can comment and talk about images I see from the past and artefacts that I am taught about. | I can talk about characters from stories which are based in the present and the past and make comparisons. | I can compare the local community with another place from around the world. I can talk about the environments that different animals live in and what they need to survive. |

I can talk about people of significance from the past and in the present who have influenced the world today.

I can talk about and describe key features within our local community.

I can read and draw a simple map.

I can predict which items will float and which will sink and give a reason why. I understand that some places are special within our community and talk about why.

I can talk about the season and identify natural changes that show a new season has arrived.

I can use all of my senses to engage with nature.

I can compare different buildings and the materials that are used.

I can talk about the life cycles of different animals.

I can make predictions about how different materials will change state in different temperatures.

I can talk about and recall events from my time in Reception.

ELG:

Past and Present

- Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.

People, Culture and Communities

- Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.
- Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.

The Natural World

- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.
- 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.
- Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.