

English

Children will concentrate on transcription skills, such as letter size, letter formation, and sitting letters on the line, using books written by Julia Donaldson as inspiration. These will include:

- The Ugly Five
- The Highway Rat
- Monkey Puzzle
- Tabby McTat
- Supermarket Zoo.

Children will write labels, captions, and lists. They will also be encouraged to use words that go beyond their phonics knowledge to help develop their writer's voice.

Children will learn to build sentences with a subject and verb, and to use capital letters and full stops. They will explore these skills through books by Mini Grey. These will include:

- Traction Man is Here
- Traction Man and the Beach Odyssey
- Traction Man Meets Turbo Dog

Children will write a non-chronological report, including a short introduction, main sections with subheadings, and a concluding summary.

Geography

The World and My School

Children will learn about their place in the world, starting with their classroom and school, then their street and town. They'll explore the UK's four countries and capital cities, learn about the seasons, and then look wider to the world's continents, oceans, weather and climate.

History

The History of Toys

Children will explore how toys have changed over the past 60 years. They'll compare their own toys with those from when they were babies, as well as toys their parents and grandparents played with. Using timelines, questions and evidence, they'll begin to think like history detectives, spotting changes and similarities over time.

PE

- Fundamentals
- Team Building
- Ball Skills
- Target Games

RSHE

- Me & My World (including internet safety)
- Celebrating Differences (including Anti-bullying Week)

Science

Animals Including Humans

Children will explore a range of animals, learning to describe features like feathers, beaks, scales and fins. They'll spot similarities and differences between animals and compare their diets. They will also look at humans, naming body parts, linking them to the senses, and noticing how we are similar to and different from each other.

Seasons

Children will learn about the four seasons by exploring autumn in school and the local area. They'll observe the weather, notice how the days get shorter, and compare autumn to summer and winter.

The Wonderful World of Toys

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Art

Sculpture

Children will be introduced to sculpture and explore working with clay. They'll learn basic clay skills, look at the work of artists and makers, and use these ideas to inspire their own creations.

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Construction

Toy Makers' Workshop - Children will explore a range of recyclable materials and create a toy that is fun and safe to play with.

RE

Christianity

Children will learn about stories in the Bible, including Jonah and the Whale

Festivals (Christianity and Judaism)

Children will learn about Christmas and Hanukkah, exploring the similarities and differences between the celebrations.

Maths

Place Value to 10

- Identify and represent numbers using objects and pictorial representations including the number line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most, least
- Count to and across 100, forwards and backwards, beginning with zero or 1, or from any given number

Addition and Subtraction within 10

- Identify and represent numbers using objects and pictorial representations including the number line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer)
- Read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving addition (+), subtraction (-) and equals (=) signs
- Represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20
- Add and subtract 1-digit and 2-digit numbers to 20, including zero

Recognise 2D and 3D shapes

- Recognise and name common 2-D and 3-D shapes, including: 2-D shapes [for example, rectangles (including squares), circles and triangles]; 3-D shapes [for example, cuboids (including cubes), pyramids and spheres]

Computing

Online safety

Children learn about the potential dangers in the online world and what basic steps we all need to take in order to have positive digital experiences.

Computer skills

Children will learn how to use a computer mouse or a trackpad and how to switch on and shut down a computer. They will apply their mouse or trackpad skills by launching applications and opening and saving files and folders. The children will then practise their clicking skills and learn how to drag objects, either using a mouse or trackpad.

Music

Charanga

Children will explore music through singing with expression, learning rhymes and chants, playing instruments, and preparing songs for the Christmas production.