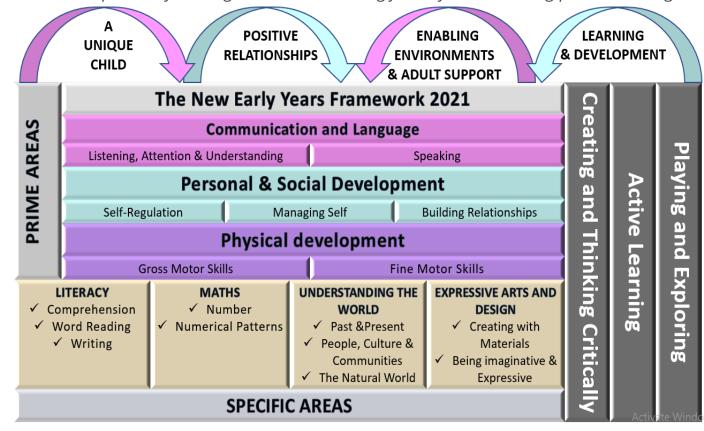




Sandy Hill Academy will be a place where children's individual needs and abilities will be recognised and nurtured, their successes acknowledged and celebrated.

To see Sandy Hill Academy as a place where children are happy, confident and secure in the knowledge that they are valued and listened to, where they can be excited and challenged in an environment that promotes learning at all levels. To see Sandy Hill Academy at the centre of our community, accessible to all, and identified as a centre for exemplary Primary Practice. At Sandy Hill Academy we recognise that children develop quickly in the Early Years. We aim to give children the best possible start to life, a secure foundation that their learning can be built upon. Children are born ready and are able and eager to learn and we aim to promote their learning in our warm, caring and safe environment.

We recognise the importance of a strong partnership between parents, carers and staff at school. This is an essential ingredient to the child's success and we encourage parents to contribute to their child's development by sharing their child's learning journey and attending parent meetings.



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GENERAL THEMES NB: THESE THEMES MAY BE ADAPTED AT VARIOUS POINTS TO ALLOW FOR CHILDREN'S INTERESTS TO FLOW THROUGH THE PROVISION WELL-BEING & BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING	ALL ABOUT ME! Starting nursery / marvellous me / I am special / me and my relationships / my new class / My family / PSED focus What am I good at? How do I make others feel? Being kind / staying safe	Little Red Hen – Harvest PSED focus Valuing Difference Library visits Bonfire Night Celebrations The Nativity Gingerbread Man Christmas	PEOPLE WHO HELP US! PSED focus People who help to keep me safe Emergency vehicles Show interests in different occupations	Plants & Flowers Weather / seasons The great outdoors Where do we live in the UK / world? Forest School Planting seeds Reduce, Reuse & Recycle Fun Science / Materials	AMAZING ANIMALS! Animal Arts and crafts Night and day animals Animal patterns Down on the Farm Mini Beasts Habitats Life Cycle of a Butterfly/Frog	Under the sea Off on holiday / clothes Send me a postcard! Marine life Fossils – Mary Anning Seasides in the past Compare: Now and then! Seaside art
HIGH QUALITY TEXTS	Elmer The Colour Monster Super Duper You The Big Book of Families How Can I Help Roly the Hedgehog? Nursery rhyme – 'If You're Happy and You Know It'	The Little Red Hen Peppa's Diwali Nursery rhyme – 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star' How to Catch a Star The Gingerbread Man Christmas Story / Nativity	The Jolly Postman Mog and the Vet Non-fiction People who help us Kind Nursery rhyme – 'Doctor Foster'	The Tiny Seed Oliver's Vegetables We're Going on a Bear Hunt Tree, Seasons come and seasons go Nursery rhyme – 'Pitter Patter Rain Drops'	One Night in the Zoo Dear Zoo Rumble in the Jungle What the Ladybird Heard The Very Hungry Caterpillar Mad About Minibeasts Nursery rhyme – 'Old MacDonald Had a Farm'	Commotion in the Ocean Under the Sea Non – Fiction Rainbow Fish Sharing a Shell What the Ladybird Heard at the Seaside Nursery rhyme – 'I Do Like to Be Beside the Seaside'
'WOW' MOMENTS / ENRICHMENT WEEKS	Autumn Walk Healthy Movers Pet African Snails Harvest Loaf Birthdays Prickles and Paws Hedgehog talk Favourite Nursery Rhymes	Bonfire Night Christmas Time / Nativity Diwali Remembrance day Making Gingerbread Men World Space Week Children in Need Anti- Bullying Week	Chinese New Year National Storytelling week 30 th Jan-6 th Feb Random Acts of Kindness Week Fire fighter/Police/Nursery visit	Nursery garden picnic Planting seeds Easter time World Book Day 3rd March Easter bonnet parade Nature Scavenger Hunt Mother's Day Science Week Easter Egg Hunt	Animal Art week Let's go on Safari - An animal a day! Tadpoles Caterpillars	Rock Pool roadshow visit Under the Sea – singing songs and sea shanties Father's Day Heathy Eating Week World Environment Day

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Characteristics of Effective Learning

Playing and exploring: - Children investigate and experience things, and 'have a go'. Children who actively participate in their own play develop a larger store of information and experiences to draw on which positively supports their learning

Active learning: - Children concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties. They are proud of their own achievements. For children to develop into self-regulating, lifelong learners they are required to take ownership, accept challenges and learn persistence.

Creating and thinking critically: - Children develop their own ideas and make links between these ideas. They think flexibly and rationally, drawing on previous experiences which help them to solve problems and reach conclusions.



Unique Child: Every child is unique and has the potential to be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.

Positive Relationships: Children flourish with warm, strong & positive partnerships between all staff and parents/carers. This promotes independence across the EYFS curriculum. Children and practitioners are NOT alone – embrace each community.

Enabling environments: Children learn and develop well in safe and secure environments where routines are established and where adults respond to their individual needs and passions and help them to build upon their learning over time.

Learning and Development: Children develop and learn at different rates (not in different ways as it stated 2017). We must be aware of children who need greater support than others.

PLAY: At Sandy Hill Academy Nursery, we understand that children learn best when they are absorbed, interested and active. We understand that active learning involves other children, adults, objects, ideas, stimuli and events that aim to engage and involve children for sustained periods. We believe that Early Years education should be as practical as possible and therefore, we are proud that our EYFS setting has an underlying ethos of 'Learning through play. PLAY is essential for children's development across all areas. Play builds on children's confidence as they learn to explore, to relate to others around them and develop relationships, set their own goals and solve problems. Children learn by leading their own play and by taking part in play which is guided by adults.'. EYFS Team

We will ensure that all children learn and develop well and are kept healthy and safe at ALL times.

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ACADEMY	goo 2. Fol ins	ow respect and od manners low tructions re for everyone	Books: Kindness: Lost and Found Self belief Gruffalo	Books: Kindness: Lost and Found Self belief Gruffalo	Books Respect: How to be a lion- Leonard Resilience:	Books Responsibility: The day the crayoquit Curiosity:	Books The Colour Monster ons goes to School Managing feelings Ruby's Worry
VISION AND		d everything our best	How to Catch a Star	How to Catch a Star	The very busy spider	Look Up!	
VALUES	Diversity Texts to be read throughout the year during story time sessions						•
		BAME MAIN CHARAC	TERS CULTURAL DIVERSITY	NEURODIVERSITY	PHYSICAL DISABILITIES	DIFFERENT FAMILIES	

BAME MAIN CHARACTERS	CULTURAL DIVERSITY	NEURODIVERSITY	PHYSICAL DISABILITIES	DIFFERENT FAMILIES
So much Astro Girl Lulu's first day Baby goes to market Mommy saying Full, full full of love	The big book of families Maisie's scrapbook Hats of faith The jasmine sneeze Golden domes and silver lanterns	We're all wonders Perfectly norman Incredible you I see things differently Mr Gorski I think I have	Its ok to be different When Charlie met emma Only one you Don't call me special Happy to be me	My pirate mums Mt two grandads The girl with two dads More people to love me Our class is a family Love makes a family

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BRISTISH VALUES WEEKLY EARLY YEARS PICTURE NEWS SESSION	Mutual respect We are all unique. We respect differences between different people and their beliefs in our community, in this country and all around the world. All cultures are learned, respected, and celebrated.	Mutual Tolerance Everyone is valued, all cultures are celebrated and we all share and respect the opinions of others. Mutual tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith.	Rule of law We all know that we have rules at school that we must follow. We know who to talk to if we do not feel safe. We know right from wrong. We recognise that we are accountable for our actions. We must work together as a team when it is necessary.	Individual liberty We all have the right to have our own views. We are all respected as individuals. We feel safe to have a go at new activities. We understand and celebrate the fact that everyone is different.	Democracy We all have the right to be listened to. We respect everyone and we value their different ideas and opinions. We have the opportunity to play with who we want to play with. We listen with intrigue and value and respect the opinions of others.	Recap all British Values Fundamental British Values underpin what it is to be a citizen in a modern and diverse Great Britain valuing our community and celebrating diversity of the UK. Fundamental British Values are not exclusive to being British and are shared by other democratic countries.
ASSESSMENT OPPORTUNITIES	In-house - Nursery Baseline data on entry On going observations EYFS team meetings Nursery Observation Checkpoints	On going assessments Pupil progress meetings Parents evening info EYFS team meetings End of term Assessments Nursery Observation Checkpoints	In-house - Nursery Baseline data on entry (January starters) GLD Projections for EOY On going observations EYFS team meetings Phase meeting and internal moderations Nursery Observation Checkpoints	Pupil progress meetings On going observations Parents evening info EYFS team meetings End of term Assessments Nursery Observation Checkpoints	On going observations EYFS team meetings Nursery Observation Checkpoints	Pupil progress meetings Reports EYFS team meetings EOY data Nursery Observation Checkpoints
PARENTAL Involvement	Tour of classroom by children Staggered start sessions All About Me Boxes	Share Learning Journeys Nativity	Healthy Movers	Parents Evening Share Learning Journeys Easter bonnet parade	Healthy Movers	Share Learning Journeys and Proud Cloud EYFS Assemblies Nursery Graduation

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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

where children share their ideas with support and modelling from their teacher, and sensitive questioning that invites them to elaborate, children become comfortable using

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,

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

Talk to parents about what language they speak at home, try and learn a few key words and celebrate multilingualism in your setting.

Whole EYFS Focus - C&L is developed throughout the year through high quality interactions, daily group discussions, sharing circles, PSHE times, stories, singing, speech and language interventions, EYFS productions, assemblies and weekly

interventions.

DAILY STORY TIME USING HIGH QUALITY TEXTS (FROM THE EYFS RECOMMENDED READS LIST)

Welcome to Nursery Settling in activities

a rich range of vocabulary and language structures.

Making friends Sharing 'All About Me Boxes' This is me! **Foundations for Phonics** activities **Familiar Print** Sharing facts about me! Colour Monsters Shared stories All about me! Model talk routines through the day. For example, arriving in school: "Good morning, how are you?" Busy Bee word focus **NELI** sessions throughout each week Healthy Movers repetitive language and learning new vocabulary. Weekly Nursery rhyme

Tell me a story!

Enjoy listening to longer stories Foundations for Phonics listening and attention activities Develop vocabulary Tell me a story – be able to talk about familiar books and rhymes Story language Word hunts Listening and responding to stories Following instructions Takes part in discussion Understand how to listen carefully Why listening is important. Busy Bee word focus **NELI** sessions throughout each week Healthy Movers repetitive language and learning new vocabulary.

Tell me why!

Using language well Ask's why questions... Begin to express point of view Retell a story with story language Story invention - talk it! Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Describe events in some detail. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Learn rhymes, poems and songs. Busy Bee word focus **NELI** sessions throughout each week Healthy Movers repetitive language and

learning new vocabulary.

Talk it through!

Understand how to listen Begin to use future and past carefully and why listening tense. Modelling the use of simple is important. Use talk to organise connectives e.g. 'and' themselves and their play 'because' and 'or' Use picture cue cards to Re-read some books so talk about an object: "What children learn the language colour is it? Where would necessary to talk about vou find it? what is happening in each Sustained focus when illustration and relate it to listening to a story. their own lives Busy Bee word focus Busy Bee word focus **NELI** sessions throughout **NELI** sessions throughout each week each week Healthy Movers - repetitive Healthy Movers – repetitive language and learning new language and learning new vocabulary. vocabulary. Weekly Nursery rhyme Weekly Nursery rhyme focus focus Social snack time Social Snack time Curiosity cuboid

What happened?

Show and tell Curiosity cuboid

Time to share!

Weekend news Read aloud books to children that will extend their knowledge of the world and illustrate a current topic. Select books containing photographs and pictures, for example, places in different weather conditions and seasons Busy Bee word focus **NELI** sessions throughout each week Healthy Movers repetitive language and learning new vocabulary. Weekly Nursery rhyme focus Social snack time Discussing our feelings preparing for Reception Curiosity cuboid

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PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT	Children's personal, social and emotional development (PSED) is crucial for children to lead healthy and happy lives , and is fundamental to their cognitive development. Underpinning their personal development are the important attachments that shape their social world . Strong, warm and supportive relationships with adults enable children to learn how to understand their own feelings and those of others . Children should be supported to manage emotions , develop a positive sense of self, set themselves simple goals , have confidence in their own abilities , to persist and wait for what they want and direct attention as necessary. Through adult modelling and guidance, they will learn how to look after their bodies , including healthy eating , and manage personal needs independently. Through supported interaction with other children, they learn how to make good friendships, co-operate and resolve conflicts peaceably. These attributes will provide a secure platform from which children can achieve at school and in later life .					
MANAGING SELF SELF REGULATION MAKING RELATIONSHIPS	SCARF: Me and My Relationships Marvellous Me! I'm Special People who are special to me Class rules: Behavioural expectations in the class/boundaries set Class rules –Sandy Stars	Difference Me and my friends Friends and family	Oral hygiene: teeth cleanir linked to the dental nurse	Looking after myself Looking after others Looking after my environment	SCARF: Being My Best What does my body need I can keep trying I can do it! Importance of exercise Being kind to living creatures Taking care of animals (frogs/butterflies)	SCARF: Growing and changing Growing and changing in nature When I was a baby Girls, boys and families Transition into Reception

PEOPLE WHO HELP US!

Threading, cutting, weaving,

playdough, Fine Motor activities.

Use one handed tools and

equipment - scissors and glue

sticks

Encourage children to draw freely.

Holding Small Items /

Button Clothing /

Cutting with Scissors

Daily name writing

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PHYSTCAL DEVELOPMENT

Physical activity is vital in children's all-round development, enabling them to pursue happy, healthy and active lives. Gross and fine motor experiences develop incrementally throughout early childhood, starting with sensory explorations and the development of a child's strength, co-ordination and positional awareness through tummy time, crawling and play movement with both objects and adults. By creating games and providing opportunities for play both indoors and outdoors, adults can support children to develop their core strength, stability, balance, spatial awareness, co-ordination and agility. Gross motor skills provide the foundation for developing healthy bodies and social and emotional well-being. Fine motor control and precision helps with hand-eye co-ordination, which is later linked to early literacy. Repeated and varied opportunities to explore and play with small world activities, puzzles, arts and crafts and the practice of using small tools, with feedback and support from adults, allow children to develop proficiency, control and confidence.

FINE MOTOR

DAILY OPPORTUNITIES FOR FINE MOTOR ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING MARK MAKING

> GROSS MOTOR

DAILY OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROSS MOTOR ACTIVITIES WITH SPECIFIC FOCUS ON HEALTHY MOVERS

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Manipulate objects with good fine motor skills Draw lines and circles using gross motor movements Hold pencil/paint brush beyond

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whole hand grasp Large scale construction to support muscles in hands e.g. duplo and mobilo

Playdough Disco Daily name writing

Healthy Movers Practice basic physical skills such as, skipping, hopping, running and jumping.

Support in place for toilet training Different ways of moving to be explored with children Changing for outside play / Help individual children to develop good personal hygiene. Acknowledge and praise their efforts. Provide regular reminders about thorough handwashing and toileting.

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Develop muscle tone to put pencil pressure on paper Use tools to effect changes to materials Show preference for dominant hand Engage children in structured activities: guide them in what to draw, mark make or copy. Daily name writing Use large muscle movements to

Healthy Movers

Continue to develop movement

e.g. balancing, riding scooters and

ball skills.

Crates play- climbing.

Dance related activities

Provide a range of wheeled

resources for children to balance,

sit or ride on, or pull and push.

Two-wheeled balance bikes and

pedal bikes without stabilisers

Provide regular reminders about

thorough handwashing and

toileting.

LETS CELEBRATE!

wave flags and make marks

Cooperation games i.e. parachute games

Ensure that spaces are accessible to children with varying confidence levels, skills and needs. Provide a wide range of activities to support a broad range of abilities.

Dance / moving to music Gymnastics ./ Balance Support children with physical independence e.g. putting on their coat.

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Begin to use a comfortable grip with good control when holding a mark making tool. Show a preference to a dominant

Interactive whiteboard for large scale mark making

Balance- children moving with

confidence

dance related activities

Provide opportunities for children

to, spin, rock, tilt, fall, slide and

bounce.

Use picture books and other

resources to explain the

importance of the different

aspects of a healthy lifestyle.

Support children with physical

independence e.g. putting on their

coat.

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Develop pencil grip and begin teaching of letter formation Use one hand consistently for fine motor tasks Cut along a straight line with

scissors / Start to cut along a curved line, like a circle / Draw a cross

Threading, cutting, weaving, playdough, Fine Motor activities. Form letters correctly Copy a square Begin to draw diagonal lines, like in a triangle / Start to colour inside the lines of a picture Start to draw pictures that are recognisable / Be more confident with doing up

zips and putting on own shoes.

Obstacle activities children moving over, under, through and around equipment Encourage children to be highly active and get out of breath several times every day. Provide opportunities for children to, spin, rock, tilt, fall, slide and bounce. Dance / moving to music Be increasingly independent in

meeting their own care needs.

Races / team games involving gross motor movements dance related activities Allow less competent and confident children to spend time initially observing and listening, without feeling pressured to join

Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing.

CONTINUOUS PROVISION; Cooperation games i.e. parachute games, Climbing – outdoor equipment., Help individual children to develop good personal hygiene, . Provide regular reminders about thorough handwashing and toileting. Crates play-climbing, Provide a range of wheeled resources for children to balance, sit or ride on, or pull and push. Two-wheeled balance bikes and, wheelbarrows, prams and carts resources in outside area. Water area outside to provide gross and fine motor skills activities and resources. Music area outside to promote movement to music. Large scale mark making opportunities both inside and outside for children to access during CP.

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LITERACY	It is crucial for children to develop a life-long love of reading. Reading consists of two dimensions: language comprehension and word reading. Language comprehension (necessary for both reading and writing) starts from birth. It only develops when adults talk with children about the world around them and the books (stories and non-fiction) they read with them, and enjoy rhymes, poems and songs together. Skilled word reading, taught later, involves both the speedy working out of the pronunciation of unfamiliar printed words (decoding) and the speedy recognition of familiar printed words. Writing involves transcription (spelling and handwriting) and composition (articulating ideas and structuring them in speech, before writing)						
	Phonic Sounds: Letters and Sounds Revised – Foundations for Phonics Whole class	Phonic Sounds: Letters and Sounds Revised – Foundations for Phonics Whole class	Phonic Sounds: Letters and Sounds Revised – Foundations for Phonics Whole class	Phonic Sounds: Letters and Sounds Revised – Foundations for Phonics Whole class	Phonic Sounds: Letters and Sounds Revised – Beginning Phase 2 Whole class	Phonic Sounds: Letters and Sounds Revised – Beginning Phase 2 Whole class	
READING COMPREHENSION - DEVELOPING A PASSION FOR READING	Aspect 1: General sound discrimination – environmental Aspect 2: General sound discrimination – instrumental Aspect 3: General sound discrimination – body percussion Aspect 4: Rhythm and rhyme Aspect 5: Alliteration Aspect 6: Voice Sounds All of these aspects of foundations for phonics will be taught continuously in no structured order to allow children to continuously develop upon and use new skills.	Aspect 1: General sound discrimination — environmental Aspect 2: General sound discrimination — instrumental Aspect 3: General sound discrimination — body percussion Aspect 4: Rhythm and rhyme Aspect 5: Alliteration Aspect 6: Voice Sounds All of these aspects of foundations for phonics will be taught continuously in no structured order to allow children to continuously develop upon and use new skills.	Aspect 1: General sound discrimination — environmental Aspect 2: General sound discrimination — instrumental Aspect 3: General sound discrimination — body percussion Aspect 4: Rhythm and rhyme Aspect 5: Alliteration Aspect 6: Voice Sounds All of these aspects of foundations for phonics will be taught continuously in no structured order to allow children to continuously develop upon and use new skills.	Aspect 1: General sound discrimination — environmental Aspect 2: General sound discrimination — instrumental Aspect 3: General sound discrimination — body percussion Aspect 4: Rhythm and rhyme Aspect 5: Alliteration Aspect 6: Voice Sounds All of these aspects of foundations for phonics will be taught continuously in no structured order to allow children to continuously develop upon and use new skills.	Aspect 7 of Foundations for Phonics: Oral blending and segmenting Reading: 's' 'a' 't' 'p' 'i' 'n'	Aspect 7 of Foundations for Phonics: Oral blending and segmenting Reading: 's' 'a' 't' 'p' 'i' 'n' Beginning to orally segment and blend words including 's' 'a' 't' 'p' 'i' 'n' sounds.	
FROM DEVELOPMENT	Understand the five key co print has meaning print can have different p	•					

MATTERS 2021 LITERACY: 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS

- print can have different purposes
- we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom
- the names of the different parts of a book
- page sequencing

Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can:

- spot and suggest rhymes
- count or clap syllables in a word
- recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary



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WRITING

Physical Development: 3 & 4 year olds

Use large-muscle
movements to wave flags
and streamers, paint and
make marks.
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

Literacy: 3 & 4 year olds

dominant hand.

Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing.
Write some or all of their name.
Write some letters accurately.

Daily 'Healthy Movers'
activities- following
programme.
Daily name writing practice.
Daily Phonics sessions.
Use of 'Paint' on interactive
whiteboard for large scale
mark making.
Access to an enriched
environment providing
children with opportunities to
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Access to different tools to
manipulate (all resources/
tools are modelled and taught
before use).

Half termly name writing assessment.

'Proud Cloud' display to capture children's

independent mark-making.
'Funky Fingers' area of the classroom to develop fine motor control.
'Dough Disco' weekly.

Opportunities for large scale mark making activities (painting, chalkboard, and large whiteboard).

Daily 'Healthy Movers' activities- following programme.

Daily name writing practice.

CMST Early Years Music

Sessions.

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Daily name writing practice.

Small group name writing intervention.

Use of 'Letter Join' to provide large scale opportunities to mark make and form patterns. Daily Phonics sessions to write sound of the week.

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Daily name writing practice.

Small group name writing intervention.

Use of 'Letter Join' to provide large scale opportunities to mark make and form noncursive letters.

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Write Dance



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GENERAL THEMES

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sessions, group work

Number

Learning number

rhymes and action

songs

Learning number

names 1-5 (number of

the day) Saying one

number name for

each item counted,

subitising numbers to

5 and matching

numerals to

quantities.

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PEOPLE WHO HELP US!

COME OUTSIDE!

Developing a strong grounding in number is essential so that all children develop the necessary building blocks to excel mathematically. Children should be able to count confidently, develop a deep

understanding of the numbers to 10, the relationships between them and the patterns within those numbers. By providing frequent and varied opportunities to build and apply this understanding - such as using manipulatives, including small pebbles and tens frames for organising counting - children will develop a secure base of knowledge and vocabulary from which mastery of mathematics is built. In addition, it is important that the curriculum includes rich opportunities for children to develop their spatial reasoning skills across all areas of mathematics including shape, space and measures. It is

important that children develop positive attitudes and interests in mathematics, look for patterns and relationships, spot connections, 'have a go', talk to adults and peers about what they notice and not

be afraid to make mistakes.

AMAZING ANIMALS!

FUN AT THE SEASIDE!

MATHS

The mathematics curriculum at Sandy Hill has been designed to ensure that children possess the skills and knowledge that will affect them positively in their lives. Concepts are taught in blocks and have been carefully sequenced to enable learners to make connections.

Daily whole class Number

Learning number rhymes and action songs Revisit numbers 1-5, Experiment with own symbols and marks as well as numerals.

Shape, Space and Measure

Revisit 2d shapes and their properties, begin to learn about patterns (ABAB), constructing and utilising shapes. Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity.

Number

Learning number rhymes and action songs Reciting numbers past 5, linking numerals to amounts.

Shape, Space and Measure

Introducing positional language, discussing and describing familiar routes and locations using positional language.

Number

Learning number rhymes and action songs Learning numbers 6-10 (number of the day) Revisit reciting numbers past 5.

Shape, Space and Measure

Comparing quantities such as more and fewer. Revisit comparing objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity.

Number

Learning number rhymes and action songs Revisit learning of numbers 6-10 Beginning to solve real world maths problems up to 5. Ordering numbers from 1-5

Shape, Space and Measure

Talk about and explore 3d shapes and their properties. Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prism for a roof etc.

Number

Learning number rhymes and action songs Revisit cardinal principle and linking numerals to amounts. Subitising numbers. Secure counting knowledge, counting objects, actions and sounds. Ordering numbers from 1-10

Shape, Space and Measure

Learn to describe a sequence of events using mathematical vocabulary.

Shape, space and Measure

Talk about and explore 2d shapes and learning about their basic properties.



UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD RE / FESTIVALS

At Sandy Hill
Academy we aim to
provide every child
with a greater
understanding of
themselves, the world
and the people within
it

Myself/My life/My special things/People who are special to me:

Share All About Me boxes to share special things about ourselves and our families.
Autumn Hunt in our Nursery garden Observe seasonal changes Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials (this will be supported through half termly visual and sensory display) Talk about what they see, using wide vocabulary Discuss weather

RE in Nursery (Cornwall agreed syllabus):

Special times: Diwali, Bonfire night, Christmas, Nocturnal animals:

Hedgehogs Recyclingcaring for our environment Observe daily weather Explore how things work. Begin to make sense of their own life-story and family history. The Christmas story

People who help us/Our community:

Special times: Chinese
New Year, Shrove
Tuesday Show interest in
different occupations.
Continue to develop
positive attitudes about
the differences between
people. Visit from
police/nurse/firefighter.

The natural world:

Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around

them – from visiting parks, libraries and museums to meeting important members of society such as police officers, nurses and firefighters. In addition, listening to a broad selection of stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems will foster their understanding of our culturally, socially, technologically and ecologically diverse world. As well as building important knowledge, this extends their familiarity with words that support understanding across domains. Enriching and widening children's vocabulary will support later reading comprehension.

Special times: St Pirans day,
Mothing Sunday Easter
Explore how things work.
Plant seeds and care for
growing plants. Understand
the key features of the life
cycle of a plant and an animal.
Begin to understand the need
to respect and care for the
natural environment and all
living things. Grow our own
sunflowers and vegetables.

Animals and their habitats:

The life cycle of a frog/butterfly Learning how to respect and care for living things and our natural environment Use Handa's Surprise to explore a different country. Look at the difference between transport in this country and one other country. them to draw comparisons. Environments - Features of local environment Maps of local area Comparing places on Google Earth – how are they similar/different?

Stories:

Links to RSED within traditional tales e.g. 'The Three Little Pigs' Begin to make sense of their own life story and family's history. Explore and talk about the different forces they can feel.

RE in the nursery

Activities children engage in during their nursery years are expeniences which provide the building blocks for later development. Starting with things which are familiar to the children, crowling bits of hands-on activities and learning are an important part of children's learning this stage.

- Some ideas for religious education in the nursery can include:
- . dressing up and acting out scenes from stories, oelebrations or festivals
- taking and listering to each other, hearing and discussing stories of all kinds, not religious and secular stories with themes such as goodness, difference, the inner thoughts and feelings, and imagnation
- exploring authentic neigous artefacts, including those designed for small children surleoft too, artefacts or story hooks.
- . seeing pictures, books and videos of places of worship and meeting believers in class
- Istening to religious music

making and gallen festival food

- starting to introduce religious vocabulary
- seking apportunities spontaneously or triving with topical, local events s
- . starting to talk about the different ways in which people believe an
- Good teaching in the EYFS will always build on children's interests and enthusiasms as well as their learning and development needs, and themes should be developed accordingly.

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Myself	People who help us	Special times
My life	Friendship	Our community
My senses	Welcome	Special books
My special things	Belonging	Stories
People special to me	Special places	The natural world



AUTUMN 1 AUTUMN 2

SPRING 1

SPRING 2

SUMMER 1

SUMMER 2

GENERAL THEMES

ALL ABOUT ME! LE

LETS CELEBRATE! PEOPLE WHO HELP US!

COME OUTSIDE!

The development of children's artistic and cultural awareness supports their imagination and creativity. It is important that children have regular opportunities to engage with the arts, enabling them to explore and play with a wide

range of media and materials. The quality and variety of what children see, hear and participate in is crucial for developing their understanding, self-expression, vocabulary and ability to communicate through the arts. The frequency, repetition and depth of their experiences are fundamental to their progress in interpreting and appreciating what they hear, respond to and observe.

Give children an insight into new musical worlds. Invite musicians in to play music to children and talk about it. Encourage children to listen attentively to music. Discuss changes and patterns as a piece of music develops.

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EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

Painting, 3D modelling, messy play, collage, cutting, drama, role play, threading, moving to music, clay sculptures, following music patterns with instruments, singing songs linked to topics, making instruments, percussion.

Children to produce a piece of art work each half term to be displayed for 'Celebration wall' for school / parents to show how drawings have developed - lots of links to Fine Motor Skills. Children to explain their work to others. Children will have opportunities to learn and perform songs, nursery rhymes and poetry linked to their work / interests and passions.

Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills:

Small world topic based play experiences. Model and teach using resources appropriately such as, scissors and glue sticks. Explore different materials such as long strips of paper, boxes and different surfaces to work on. Free painting. Emotion drawings. Leaf hedgehogs. Cotton bud acorns. Begin to develop their own ideas about what to make and how to choose resources for purpose. Identify meaning to marks which they draw and paint. Explore colour mixing. Join different materials and explore different textures. Music sessions through Charanga-Listen with increased attention to sounds. Remember and sing entire songs, sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match').

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Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills:

Create and make their own 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits. Join different materials and explore different textures. Continue to model correctly using resources such as, scissors and glue. Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face. Show different emotions in their drawings. Create closed shapes with continuous lines. and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. Junk modelling vehicles. Music sessions through Charanga respond to what they hear by expressing their thoughts and feelings, sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs. The use of story maps, props, puppets & story bags will encourage children to retell, invent and adapt stories.

Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills:

Cutting and sticking life cycle of a butterfly/sunflower/frog Recreating their representation of an animal life cycle. Create and make their own 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits. Join different materials and explore different textures. Continue to model correctly using resources such as, scissors and glue. Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face. Show different emotions in their drawings. Easter crafts Music sessions through Charanga – respond to what they hear by expressing their thoughts and feelings, sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs.

Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills:

Creating safari animal role play masks. Artwork themed around African art (Handa's surpsie) Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses. Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. Music lessons planned through Charanga- play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas, create their won songs, or improvise a song around one they know.

Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills:

Rainbow fish craft. Jelly fish paper-plate craft. Creating an aguarium. Father's Day crafts. Develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses. Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. Music lessons planned through Charanga- play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas, create their won songs, or improvise a song around one they know.