

Excellence - Inspiring successful, creative learners

Victor Seymour Infants' School Curriculum Document Overview of the Curriculum

Year Group: Reception			Last updated: July 2022			
	Autumn 1 (4 Weeks Settling in + Baseline / 3 weeks direct Teaching)	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic / Learning Focus	My Family - All About ME	Autumn - Changes and Festivals	Animals in Nature	Farm Animals and Babies	What's in the Garden ?	Bears
Parents	Parent Workshop Monday 17th Oct	Parents Evenings TBC		Parents Evenings TBC		Reports and Transition
Trips and workshops						Nursery and family picnic - Grove Park Date to be confirmed
Communication and Language	Listening and Attention	Listening and Attention	Listening and Attention	Listening and Attention	Listening and Attention	Listening and Attention

Listens with interest Understands who. Listens to familiar Shows variability Beginning to Responds to what where in to the noises understand more stories with in listening instructions with adults make when simple questions complex increasing behaviour; may they read stories more elements, attention and Developing sentences, e.g. move Shows interest in e.g. Give the big recall around and Put your toys play with sounds. understanding ball to me: songs and Rhymes of simple away and then sit fiddle but still be collect up all the **Focusing** Single channelled on the carpet listening or sit concepts (e.g. attention – can blocks and attention; can shift fast/slow, still but not to a different task if still listen or do. Listens to put them in the absorbed by good/bad) attention fully others in box but can change activity obtained – using their own focus one-to-one or Understands child's name Shows of attention small groups, Beginning to use of objects helps focus understanding of (e.g. Which when understand Identifies action Beginning to prepositions words by following conversation one do we cut humour, e.g. such as under. understand simple instructions, interests them nonsense with?) why and how on top, behind rhymes, jokes questions **SPEAKING** Joins in with by carrying out repeated refrains an action or Can retell a **SPEAKING** and anticipates selecting correct simple past Uses language to **SPEAKING** key events and **SPEAKING** event in correct picture share feelings. phrases in order (e.g. went Beginning to use experiences and Beginning to **Thoughts** rhymes and more complex down slide. use a range of Continues to make hurt finger) stories sentences to link **SPEAKING** tenses (e.g. some errors in thoughts (e.g. language (e.g. Is able to Uses a variety of play, playing, Uses talk to using and, runned) and will follow will play, questions (e.g. explain what is because) absorb directions (if played) what, where, happening and and use language not intently who) anticipate what they hear focused) around them in their might happen Uses talk in community and next pretending that culture objects stand Holds a Uses language to **SPFAKING** conversation. for something imagine and jumping from else in play, e.g. Able to use recreate roles and topic to topic This box is my language in experiences in Learns new words castle recalling past play situations very rapidly

			experiences Builds up vocabulary that reflects the breadth of their experiences			
Personal, Social and Emotional	Understanding rules and expectations Seeks comfort from familiar adults when needed and distracts themselves with a comfort object Develops some independence in self care and shows an awareness of routines such as handwashing or teeth cleaning but still often needs adult support Develops increasing	Understanding rules and expectations Is gradually learning that actions have consequences but not always the consequences the child hopes for Able to help with and increasingly independently put on and take off simple clothing items such as hats, unzipped jackets, wellington boots Begins to recognise danger	Is more able to recognise the impact of their her choices and behaviours/acti ons on others and knows that some actions and words can hurt others' feelings Shows their confidence and self esteem through being outgoing towards people, taking risks and trying new things or new	Talks about how others might be feeling and responds according to their understanding of the other person's needs and wants Takes practical action to reduce risk, showing their understanding that equipment and tools can be used safely Is aware of being evaluated by others and begin to develop ideas about themselves according to the	• Understands that expectations vary depending on different events, social situations and changes in routine, and becomes more able to adapt their behaviour in favourable conditions Has a clear idea about what they want to do in their play and how they want to go about it Shows empathy and concern for people who are special to them	.Understands their own and other people's feelings, offering empathy and comfort Is becoming more aware of the similarities and differences between themselves and others in more detailed ways and identifies themself in relation to social groups and to their peers Shows increasing consideration of other people's needs and gradually more

	understanding of and control of the bowel and bladder urges and starts to communicate their need for the preferred choice of potty or toilet	and seeks the support and comfort of significant adults Expresses a wide range of feelings in their interactions with others and through their behaviour and play, Seeks out companionship with adults and other children, sharing experiences and play ideas	social situations and being able to express their needs and ask adults for help Can name and identify different parts of the body Enjoys playing alone, alongside and with others, inviting others to play and attempting to join others' play	messages they hear from others Usually dry and clean during the day Seeks out others to share experiences with and may choose to play with a familiar friend or a child who has similar interest	by partially matching others' feelings with their own, e.g. may offer a child a toy they know they like Seeks out others to share experiences with and may choose to play with a familiar friend or a child who has similar interest	impulse control in favourable conditions, e.g. giving up a toy to another who wants it Shows increasing consideration of other people's needs and gradually more impulse control in favourable conditions, e.g. giving up a toy to another who wants it
Gross Motor	Sits comfortably on a chair with both feet on the ground Runs safely on whole foot Moves in response to music, or rhythms played on instruments	Climbs up and down stairs by placing both feet on each step while holding a handrail for support Uses wheeled toys with increasing skill	Climbs stairs, steps and moves across climbing equipment using alternate feet. Maintains balance using hands and body to stabilise Jumps up into the air with	Can balance on one foot or in a squat momentarily, shifting body weight to improve Stability Can grasp and release with two hands to throw	Chooses to move in a range of ways, moving freely and with confidence making changes to body shape, position and pace of movement such	Continues to move in a range of ways, moving freely and with confidence making changes to body shape, position and pace of movement such

	such as drums or shakers Begins to walk, run and climb on different levels and surfaces	such as pedalling, balancing, holding handlebars and sitting astride	both feet leaving the floor and can jump forward a small distance Begins to understand and choose different ways of moving Kicks a stationary ball with either foot, throws a ball with increasing force and accuracy and starts to catch a large ball by using two hands and their chest to trap it	and catch a large ball, beanbag or an object May be beginning to show preference for dominant hand and/or leg/foot fingers	as slithering, shuffling, rolling, crawling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, sliding and hopping	as slithering, shuffling, rolling, crawling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, sliding and hopping
Fine Motor	Turns pages in a book, sometimes several at once Shows increasing control in holding, using and manipulating a range of tools	Manipulates a range of tools and equipment in one hand, tools include paintbrushes, scissors, hairbrushes, toothbrush, scarves or ribbons	Holds mark-making tools with thumb and all fingers	May be beginning to show preference for dominant hand and/or leg/foot Fingers	Begins to use anticlockwise movement and retrace vertical lines Begins to form familiar recognisable letters from their name	Choose a dominant hand to hold a tool Anticlockwise movements and vertical retracing Recognisable letters in their name Start to use a knife and fork.

	and objects such as tambourines, jugs, hammers, and mark making tools					
Literacy - Reading	Enjoys rhythmic and musical activity with percussion instruments, actions, rhymes and songs, clapping along with the beat and joining in with words of familiar songs and nursery rhymes Word reading Begins to recognise familiar logos from children's popular culture, commercial print or icons for apps Shows interest	Comprehension . Has some favourite stories, rhymes, songs, poems or jingles Repeats and uses actions, words or phrases from familiar stories Fills in the missing word or phrase in a known rhyme, story or game, e.g. Humpty Dumpty sat on a Word reading Looks at and enjoys print and digital books Independently Handles books and touch screen	Comprehension Listens to and joins in with stories and poems, when reading one-to-one and in small groups Word reading Looks at and enjoys print and digital books Independently Begins to navigate apps and websites on digital media using drop down menu to select websites and icons to select apps	Comprehension Begins to be aware of the way stories are structured, and to tell own stories Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and stories Word reading Recognises familiar words and signs such as own name, advertising logos and screen icons	Comprehension Talks about events and principal characters in stories and suggests how the story might end Word reading Knows information can be relayed through signs and symbols in various forms (e.g. printed materials, digital screens and environmental print)	Enjoys an increasing range of print and digital books, both fiction and non-fiction Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of reading Word reading Begins to have phonological and phonemic awareness. Knows that print carries meaning and read left to write in English. Awareness of rhyme, alliteration, rhythm, syllables I words. Begins to say initial

	in illustrations and words in print and digital books and words in the environment	technology carefully and the correct way up with growing competence				sounds in words. Orally blend and segment.
Literacy - Writing	Distinguishes between the different marks they make Enjoys drawing and writing on paper, on screen and on different textures, such as in sand or playdough and through using touch-screen technology.	Makes up stories, play scenarios, and drawings in response to experiences, such as outings Sometimes gives meaning to their drawings and Paintings	Ascribes meanings to signs, symbols and words that they see in different places, including those they make themselves Includes mark making and early writing in their play	Begins to make letter-type shapes to represent the initial sound of their name and other familiar words Imitates adults' writing by making continuous lines of shapes and symbols (early writing) from left to right	.Attempts to write their own name, or other names and words, using combinations of lines, circles and curves, or letter-type shapes	Attempts to write their name. Gives meaning to marks they make. Pretends to wrte words using letter like shapes; circles / lines / zig-ziags. Starting to record the initial sounds in words.
Literacy - Phonics	PHASE 1 - Listening games	PHASE 1 - Listening games	PHASE 1 - Listening games	PHASE 1 - Listening games	PHASE 1 - Listening games	PHASE 1 - Listening games
Maths	Beginning to compare and recognise changes in numbers of	Joins in and anticipates repeated sound and action	Compares two small groups of up to five objects, saying when there are	Uses some number names and number	May enjoy counting verbally as far as they can go	Subatising up to 5 Estimating WPM up to 3 and 4 Number bonds 3 and 4

things, using words like more, lots or 'same' In everyday situations, takes or gives two or three objects from a group Beginning to coun on their fingers. Is interested in what happens next using the pattern of everyday routines Begins to say numbers in order, some of which are in the right order	Beginning to recognise that each counting number is one more than the one before Remembers and talks about significant events in their own experience	the same number of objects in each group, e.g. You've got two, I've got two. Same! Begins to recognises and describes special times or events for family or friends	language within play, and may show fascination with large numbers Through play and exploration, beginning to learn that numbers are made up (composed) of smaller numbers	Counts up to five items, recognising that the last number said represents the total counted so far (cardinal principle) Begins to talks about past and present events in their own life and in the lives of family members	Verbally counting up and down numbers 0-20 1:1 counting (number conservation – remembering how many they have counted Recognising 2d/3d shapes Repeating pattern / rotating and manipulating shapes / tessellating / turning and flipping shapes
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Understanding the World	In pretend play, imitates everyday actions and events from own family and cultural background, e.g. making and drinking tea, going to the barbers, being a cat, dog or bird Has a sense of own immediate family and relations and pets Notices detailed features of objects in their environment Enjoys playing with small world reconstructions, building on first-hand experiences, e.g. visiting farms, garages, train tracks, walking by river or lake	Remembers and talks about significant events in their own Experience Shows interest in the lives of people who are familiar to them Beginning to have their own friends Learns that they have similarities and differences that connect them to, and distinguish them from, others Shows care and concern for living things and the environment Can talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants,	Begins to recognises and describes special times or events for family or friends Shows interest in different occupations and ways of life indoors and outdoors Talks about why things happen and how things work	Recognises and describes special times or events for family or friends Knows some of the things that make them unique, and can talk about some of the similarities and differences in relation to friends or family Begin to understand the effect their behaviour can have on the environment	Begins to talks about past and present events in their own life and in the lives of family members Enjoys joining in with family customs and routines Developing an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time	Families and customs: Knowing the similarities and differences between us Knows that other children do not always enjoy the same things, and is sensitive to this
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	Harvest festival	animals, natural and found objects Seasons and Winter Festivals				
Expressive Arts and Design	Joins in singing songs Creates sounds by rubbing, shaking, tapping, striking or blowing Shows an interest in the way sound makers and instruments Enjoys and responds to playing with colour in a variety of ways,	Continues to explore moving in a range of ways, e.g. mirroring, creating own movement patterns Enjoys joining in with moving, dancing and ring games Sings to self and makes up simple songs Notices what other children and adults do, mirroring what is observed, adding	Uses various construction materials, e.g. joining pieces, stacking vertically and horizontally, balancing, making enclosures and creating spaces Uses tools for a purpose Engages in imaginative play based on own ideas or first-hand or	Explores and learns how sounds and movements can be changed Experiments and creates movement in response to music, stories and ideas	Develops an understanding of using lines to enclose a space, and begins to use drawing to represent actions and objects based on imagination, observation and experience Creates rhythmic sounds and movements Uses available resources to create props or creates	Begins to build a collection of songs and dances Taps out simple repeated rhythms Begins to introduces a storyline or narrative into their play

Uses everyday materials to explore, understand and represent their world – their ideas, interests and fascinations	variations and then doing it spontaneously	peer experiences.	imaginary ones to support play	