Specific Area: Literacy - READING

| 0-2 years | 2-3 years | 3-4 years | Reception | ELG |
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| -Enjoy songs and rhymes, tuning in and paying attentionJoin in with songs and rhymes, copying sounds, rhythms, tunes and tempoSay some of the words in songs and rhymesCopy finger movements and other gesturesEnjoy sharing books with an adultPay attention and respond to the pictures or the wordsHave favourite books and seek them out, to share with an adult, with another child, or to look at aloneRepeat words and phrases from familiar stories. | -Sing songs and say rhymes independently, for example, singing whilst playing -Ask questions about the bookMake comments and shares their own ideasDevelop play around favourite stories using props -Begin to read individual letters by saying the sounds for them. | -Understand the five key concepts about print: - print has meaning -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/clap syllables in word - recognise words with the same initial sound -Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary -Read individual letters by saying the sounds for themBlend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter—sound correspondences -Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them. | -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 wordsRe-read these books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment | Literacy ELG: Comprehension Children at the expected level of development will: - Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary; - Anticipate – where appropriate – key events in stories; - Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play. ELG: Word Reading Children at the expected level of development will: - Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs; - Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending; - Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words. Secure phase 3 phonics (100 or more known digraphs) RWI Purple books |

| Reception meeting statements | |
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| Ask questions about books Read many of the taught irregular/high frequency words. (Up to Phase 4) of phonically regular words of more than one syllable. Read many irregular/high frequency words. Use phonic, semantic and syntactic knowledge to understand unfamiliar vocabulary. Describe main events from any simple stories they have read. | Children are decoding confidently using simple texts. Children are using who, what, why, when questions during discussions about texts. Children are using who, what, why, when questions during discussions about texts. |
| If children are advancing, they should demonstrate: Reading beyond level 8 Demonstrating a deeper understanding More independent in the above areas for Reception meeting. Elements of Year 1 Emerging will be demonstrated. | Children have a specific interest and can select books related to this. Children uses the context of a text to understand an unfamiliar word. Children demonstrate a comprehension beyond simple recall |