

Merton Infant School

YR Curriculum Overview 2026 - 27

	Autumn 1 st	Autumn 2nd		Spring 1st	Spring 2nd	Summer 1st	Summer 2 ⁿ
	7 weeks 4 days	7 weeks		6 weeks	4 weeks 4 days	7 weeks	6 weeks 3 days Get Active Theme Week
Topic	Healthy Me	Everyday Heroes	Christmas	Paddington Bear	On the Farm	Let’s Grow	Under the Sea
Launch Landing	Starting school Complete Merton Mile and the trim trail	Visit from an everyday hero Dress up as an Everyday hero	Christmas Play Meet Father Christmas	Finding Paddington Bear Bear Hunt	Trip to Wellington Country Park Watching chicks hatch from eggs	Planting beans for class competition Watching caterpillars turn into butterflies	Set up beach role play area. Beach Party
Literacy British values: Democracy (book voting)	Phases 2 sounds Matching initial sound to pictures Letter names Nursery rhymes	Phase 2 sounds Matching initial sound to pictures Blending and segmenting CV and VC words Writing captions Letter names Nursery rhymes		Phase 3 sounds Phoneme frames Reading and writing digraphs Writing captions Nursery rhymes	Phase 3 sounds Phoneme frames Reading and writing CVC words Writing captions Nursery rhymes	Phase 4 sounds Phoneme frames Reading and writing CVCC and CCVC words Writing captions	Phase 4 sounds Phoneme frames Writing extended captions
Maths Continuous provision: 2D and 3D shapes Measuring length, weight, capacity	Matching numerals to objects Sorting and comparing objects. Comparing size, mass and capacity. Number counting rhymes.	Number recognition 0 to 5 Counting objects to 5 Matching numerals to objects Ordering numbers to 5 Number bonds to 5 Rote counting forwards and backwards to 5 Number formation 0 - 5		Number recognition 0 to 8 Counting objects to 8 Matching numerals to objects Ordering numbers to 8 Number bonds to 8 Rote counting forwards and backwards to 8 Number formation 0 - 8	Number recognition 0 to 10 Counting objects to 10 Matching numerals to objects Ordering numbers to 10 Number bonds to 10 Rote counting forwards and backwards to 10 Number formation 0-10	Adding numbers to 10 Rote counting forwards and backwards to 10 Number lines Number formation 0 – 10 Number bonds to 10	Subtracting numbers to 10 Rote counting forwards and backwards to 20 Number lines Number formation 0 – 10 Number bonds to 10
Computing British values: Rule of Law Individual liberty	No longer part of EYFS Curriculum IT – Play a touch screen game CS-programming BeeBot forwards / backwards e-Safety						
Science British Values: Mutual respect	Look at changes in school grounds (Trees and plants) Animals Senses Habitats	Look at changes in school grounds (Trees and plants) Materials Jelly Hot chocolate		Look at changes in school grounds (Trees and plants) Materials Making porridge	Look at changes in school grounds (Trees and plants) Animals and Habitats Watching chicks hatch from eggs Visit to a farm Materials 3 pigs houses	Look at changes in school grounds (Trees and plants) Animals Watching caterpillars changing to butterflies Habitats Minibeasts Plants Growing sunflowers, beans and grass	Look at changes in school grounds (Trees and plants) Materials What floats and sinks Making boats Recycling (pollution in oceans)

Longitudinal Study: weather patterns, plant growth - observe changes in the school grounds as the seasons come. Cross-curricular link with Geography fieldwork.							
History British Values: Rule of Law	Chronology: History of themselves – baby to now. Calendars Books – Titch, When I was a Child, Once there were Giants	Chronology: Family traditions Seasons Significant Person: everyday heroes linked with jobs Family traditions (Bonfire Night)	Family traditions (Christmas) Books – Lucy and Tom at Christmas	Historical Enquiry: Changes in appearance of teddy bears over time. Old /New. Same/Different. Books – Paddington Bear	Chronology: Seasons Cause and Consequence: Books - Farmer Duck, The Little Red Hen	Change and continuity: Growing and changing. Chronology: Seasons. Life Cycles Books – The Tiny Seed, Life Cycle Books	Significant Person: Floella Benjamin Book - Coming to England
Geography British Values: Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs	Exploring the classroom, Year R area, school building and grounds		Christmas around the world (compare Christmas in UK and Australia) Climate-data.org	Finding out about London and Peru Following the Bear Hunt route in the right order / directions	Comparing countryside to town	Identify the location of key plants in the school grounds	Know the names of some seas and oceans in the world Faraway Friday – visit Trinidad Climate-data.org
Art		Artist: Romero Britto Painting – colour mixing Naming Primary & Secondary colours		Artist: Illustrator – R.W.Alley Drawing a bear Painting fork bears Symmetry drawing		Artist: Frida Kahlo Printing	
D.T./ Food Tech	Construction Kits	Use folding and joining skills to make a Christmas card		Structure To discuss and make a bridge using a variety of construction kits Make a simple flap join to use when constructing a cardboard bridge	Structure Use construction kits to design a farm Make a junk model farm		Make fishcakes
RE Block week	Theme: Belonging Concept: All About Me	Theme: Celebrating Birthdays Concept: Birth	Nativity Christmas Play	Theme: Special People Specialness	Theme: Eggs as a sign of new life Concept: Reminder / Symbol of new life	Theme: Special Things Specialness	Theme: Water (River Thames) Concept: Precious
PDL / SMSC British Values: Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs	Being Me in My World -Who? Me -How am I feeling today? -Being in year R -Gentle hands -Our rights -Our responsibilities Trick Box Mirror Mirror	Celebrating Difference -What I am good at -I'm special I'm me -Families -Houses and homes -Making friends -Standing up for yourself Trick Box Stand Tall		Dreams and Goals -Challenge -Never giving up -Setting a goal -Obstacles and support -Flight to the future -Award ceremony Trick Box Breathing Colour	Healthy Me -Everybody's body -We like to move it move it -Food glorious food -Sweet dreams -Keeping clean -Stranger danger Trick Box Floating Cloud	Relationships -My family and me -Make friends make friends never ever break friends 1&2 -Falling out and bullying 1&2 -Being the best friend we can be Trick Box Win Win	Changing Me -My body -Respecting my body -Growing up -Fun and fears -Celebration Trick Box Free Flow
Music	Our Senses – Timbre Nursery Rhymes	Special people – Beat and tempo Nursery Rhymes	Christmas songs - Pitch	Going places – High and low Nursery Rhymes	Stories and sounds - Structure Working World –	Growth and change – Loud and quiet Nursery Rhymes	Moving patterns - Structure Nursery Rhymes

	Musician Dolly Parton – Country Music	Musician Freddie Mercury – Rock Music		Musician Bob Dylan – Folk Music	Texture Musician Aretha Franklin – Soul Music	Musician Elvis Presley – Rock and Roll Music	Musician Ella Fitzgerald – Jazz Music
P.E. British Value Mutual respect	NHS Solent Pack Core Stability	Gymnastics-Shape and Balance		Dance - Nursery Rhymes Games – Ball Skills 1	Gymnastics – Wall Bars Games – Sending and Receiving	Games – Ball Skills 2 PPA Stow Sport	Athletics PPA Stow Sport