United Learning

EYFS Curriculum: Progress

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Development Matters N3/4	 Take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar. Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses etc. Make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park. Explore different materials freely, in order to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make. Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. Join different materials and explore different textures. Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a circle and including details. 	 Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. Show different emotions in their drawings and paintings, like happiness, sadness, fear etc. Explore colour and colour-mixing. Listen with increased attention to sounds. Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings. Remember and sing entire songs. Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match'). Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs. Create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know. Play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas.
Development Matters Reception	 Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources and skills. Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses. 	 Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses. Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. Develop storylines in their pretend play. Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.
ELG	Expressive Arts and Design ELG: Creating with Materials Children at the expected level of development will: - Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function; - Share their creations, explaining the process they have used; - Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.	ELG: Being Imaginative and Expressive Children at the expected level of development will: - Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher; - Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs; -Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.



Expressive Arts and Design: Development Milestones

Milestones for Co	ontinuous Provision/Medium Term Plans
Drawing and Painting	Media and Materials
Children in Nursery will:	Children in Nursery will:
Use pre-made paints and names colours.	Enjoy junk modelling.
 Represent familiar objects through independent drawing and painting. 	Explore printing using different objects.
• drawing	Join different materials using glue.
Experiment with colour mixing.	Talk about what the materials look and feel like.
Draw circles and lines.	Join materials together using sellotape.
 Create closed shapes using horizontal and vertical lines. 	Use junk modelling to create own representations of objects/people.
Draw simple faces with features.	Choose different materials for different effects.
Show different emotions in their pictures.	Use different cut materials to make a simple image.
Represent movement and sounds in their pictures.	Use objects or tools to print a pattern or image with support.
Children in Reception will:	Children in Reception will:
Select colours appropriately for a task.	Print or collage independently to create a pattern or image.
Know how to mix primary colours to make secondary colours.	Make props to use in their role-play and small world play.
Add white or black paint to alter tint or shade	Combine different techniques to create a picture.
Add detail to drawings and paintings.	Evaluate and adapt their work.
 Draw an object from careful observation talking about the features they have included. 	Explain how they created something, talking about the materials and techniques
Produce paintings and drawings that include detail and effective use of colour. Share their	they have used.
creations, talking about how they have created effects.	Confidently select and use variety of materials, tools and techniques
	independently, explain their choices, and evaluate their work.



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Milestones for Continuous Provision/Medium Term Plans	
Music and Movement	Pretend Play
Children in Nursery will:	Children in Nursery will:
Respond to music with movement.	Children will:
 Join in with some nursery rhymes or favourite songs and poems. 	Play with small world toys
 Sing nursery rhymes and simple songs from memory. 	Join in role-play based on their own experiences
Explore the sounds made by different instruments.	Introduce simple narrative to their small world and role-play
Sing in a loud or quiet voice.	
Recognise high and low pitch and match the pitch sung by another.	
Sing their own songs or improvise a song around one they know.	
Listen and respond to different genres of music.	
Play instruments with increasing control.	
Children in Reception will:	Children in Reception will:
Suggest a movement to match a piece of music.	Retell parts of a familiar story using of puppets, toys, small-world or role-play.
Perform songs as part of a group.	Create their own small worlds.
Perform songs, music and dance in groups and on their own.	Use experiences and stories to develop storylines.
Move in time to music	Use imagination to develop own storylines.
Play an instrument along to a song,	Take on different roles in pretend play.
Listen attentively, move to and talk about music they hear.	Take part in a simple role play 'acting out' of a known story.
Watch and talk about dance, expressing their feelings and responses.	Create more complex narratives in their pretend play, building on the
Sing a range of songs from memory, increasingly matching the pitch and following the	contributions of their peers.
melody. Create simple sequences on movement in response to movement.	Use their imagination and draw on their experiences of narrative to create stories
	in their pretend play in collaborotion with others.

