

Federation of St. Cuthbert's and St. Sebastian's Catholic Primary Schools

READING: LEARNING IN EYFS



Reading: Word Reading					
Phonics & Decoding					
Three & Four Year	Year Literacy		Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can:		
Olds			• spot and suggest rhymes		
			• count or clap syllables in words		
			• recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother		
Reception	Literacy		• Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them.		
			• Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of letter-sound		
			correspondences.		
			• Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them.		
			· Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound		
			correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.		
ELG	Literacy Word Reading	Word Reading	• 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.		
		(Common Exception Words		
Reception	Literacy		• Read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme.		
	Fluency				
Three & Four Year	Literacy		Understand the five key concepts about print:		
Olds			• print has meaning		
			• the names of different parts of a book		
			• print can have different purposes		
			• page sequencing		
			· we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom		

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			• Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound
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			• Re-read books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their
			understanding and enjoyment.
ELG	Literacy	Reading	• Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge,
LLO			including some common exception words.

Reading: Comprehension				
	Understanding and Correcting Inaccuracies			
Three & Four Year	Communication and Language		• Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens.	
Olds			• Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"	
			• Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a	
			friend, using words as well as actions.	
	Literacy		• Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.	
Reception	Communication and Language		• Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.	
Reception			· Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as	
			exact repetition and some in their own words.	
			• Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound.	
			• Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new	
			knowledge and vocabulary.	
ELG	Literacy	Comprehension	• Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and	
	Lective	Completension	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.	
	Comparing, Contrasting and Commenting			
Three & Four Year Olds	Communication and Language		• Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions.	
Reception	Understanding the World		• Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.	
ELG	Communication and Language	Listening, Attention and Understanding	• Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.	
		Speaking	• Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	
		Words in	Context and Authorial Choice	
Three & Four Year Olds			• Use a wider range of vocabulary.	
			• Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.	
Reception	Communication and Language		 Learn new vocabulary. Use new vocabulary throughout the day. Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. 	
ELG	Communication and Language	Speaking	• Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	

	Literacy	Comprehension	• Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and
			narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary.
			• Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories,
			non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.
		In	ference and Prediction
Three & Four Year Olds	Communication and Language		• Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"
ELG	Communication	Speaking	• Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced
	and Language	Speaking	vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.
	Literacy	Comprehension	Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories.
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Po			oetry and Performance
Three & Four Year	Communication of	and Lanauaae	• Sing a large repertoire of songs.
Olds		J J	• Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long
			story.
	Expressive Arts and Design		• 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.
			• 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 and down and up) of
			familiar songs.
			• Create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know.
Reception	Pagention Communication and Langue	and Language	• Engage in story times.
Reception	Expressive Arts and Design		· Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as
			exact repetition and some in their own words.
			• Learn rhymes, poems and songs.
			• Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch
			and following the melody.
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			• Develop storylines in their pretend play.	
ELG	Literacy	Comprehension	• Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary.	
	Expressive Arts	Creating with Materials	• Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.	
		Being	• Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with their peers and their teacher.	
		Imaginative	• Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to	
		and Expressive	move in time to music.	
	Non-Fiction			
Reception	Reception Communication and Language		• Engage in non-fiction books.	
Reception			• Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new	
			knowledge and vocabulary.	
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LLO	and Language		vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	
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	Literacy	Comprehension	• Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories,	
			non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.	