

Topic overview – Reception / Year 1 (CYCLE B)

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	Topic name		Into the Woods
	Big question		What can we see in the woods?
	Linked books		Owl Babies The Gruffalo Goldilocks and the 3 bears
	Memorable experience		Twycross Zoo
	Outdoor learning		Twycross Zoo Maps (maths/geography) of school field Science objectives (see below)
	Reading aims		Year 1: Phonics – Phase 5c. Read phonically decodable books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading Reception: Phonics - Phase 4. Read and understand simple sentences. Read some common irregular words.
	Writing aims		Owl Babies – Owl non-fiction Identify fact & fiction, look at non-fiction books (contents, photos with labels, glossary). Write own non-fiction book about owls. The Gruffalo – Story Learn & familiarise with story of the Gruffalo, including creating a story map. Innovate the story, rewrite own version of the story. EYFS – stringing words together to create sentences, beginning to use capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. Year 1 – Using exclamation marks, question marks and full stops. Joining sentences with and, but, because.
	Communication & Language	Speaking & listening aims	Year 1: Reception: Listen attentively and respond with relevant comments, questions and actions. Hold a conversation with an adult or peers. Participate in discussions using their own ideas and new vocabulary.
	Maths aims		YR1: place value to 100 (3 wks), money (1wk) EYFS: counting beyond 10, one more, one less, number bonds to 5 & 10, using ten frames and numicon. Sequencing events, shapes, odd and evens, doubles and halves.
Understanding	The Natural World	Science aims	Explore plants in the surrounding environment Explore plants in a contrasting natural environment Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.



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			Investigation focus / skill: What part of a vegetable can you eat? Asking questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways		
	e, Culture munities	Geography aims	 children will begin to identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles (KS1) children will develop their use of world maps, atlases and globes to identify the UK and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans (KS1) children will know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos, building upon previous knowledge children will begin to recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. children will be able to recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live. (EYFS) Looking at different bears from around the world and studying their environments. 		
		RE aims	What times are special and why? How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?		
Past an	d present	History aims	In another topic		
		Computing aims	Digital Literacy (E-Safety) Children will learn how to communicate online safely. Digital Literacy Children will learn to: - use a mouse/trackpad. - use a keyboard. - log on. - save a file. - type on a keyboard.		
		DT aims	Forest Scene (using levers and sliders)		
	Expressive Art & Design	Art and design aims	Picasso Owl Paintings Children will learn to: - draw lines of different shapes and thickness - objects from memory and imagination - ask sensible questions about a piece of art		
		Music aims	Creating a sound story – Peter & the Wolf ELG – explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.		
& Em	al, Social Iotional Iopment	PSHE aims	Children will learn to: - discuss what belonging to a family means - identify how to be a good friend		



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		 Physical contact preferences eg. personal space and how to respond if physical contact makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe to recognise that some things are private and the importance of respecting privacy; that parts of their body covered by underwear are private identify trusted adults and how to ask for help
Physical Development	PE aims	Striking and fielding – mini cricket