

Highworth Combined School

Medium Term Planning – Summer Term 1 2026: Nursery

Week beginning	Mathematics	Literacy	Communication and language	Understanding the world (PKC)	PSED (JIGSAW) Jigsaw – Relationships	Expressive arts and design	Physical Development (PE Thursday)
<u>1</u> 13th April <i>Celebration of Vaisakhi 21st</i>	Focus: Link numerals and amounts (1-10)	Rhyme of the Week: Hickory Dickory Dock RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: m TfW: Dear Zoo	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns. Link to Easter holidays	Animals and their babies Celebrating Vaisakhi	Relationships Piece 1 My family and me!	Sing 5 Little Speckled Frogs; Paintings of holidays; Monkey Puzzle – children to paint missing animal described. Animal masks. Frog life cycle	Weekly PE sessions Move like different animals Lifecycle of frog – jump like a frog, wriggle tadpole Twinkl – Jumping frogs – Parachute game.
<u>2</u> 20th April	Focus: Talk about and explore 2D & 3D shapes	Rhyme of the Week: 1,2,3,4,5 Once I caught a fish alive RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: a TfW: Dear Zoo	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Use talk to organise themselves and their play	Farm Animals	Relationships Piece 2 Make friends, make friends, never ever break friends Part 1	Sing – Old MacDonald Had a farm Create – ‘That’s not my...’ textured pictures farm puppets Farm Animals – handprint	Weekly PE sessions Hook a duck game Play duck, duck goose, Farmers in his den
<u>3</u> 27th April <i>Mufti Day 29th</i>	Focus: Explore positional language	Rhyme of the Week: Old MacDonald RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: s TfW: Dear Zoo	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story	Woodlands Animals	Relationships Piece 3 Make friends, make friends, never ever break friends Part 1	Sing – One little owl, 2 little dickie birds Create Owls – story focus ‘Owl Babies’ – feathers Fork print hedgehogs	Weekly PE sessions Create Hedgehog clay Prepositional language where the animals live in/on, etc
<u>4</u> 4th May <i>Bank holiday Monday Deaf Awareness Week</i>	Focus: Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight & capacity	Rhyme of the Week: Dingle Dangle Scarecrow RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: d TfW: Dear Zoo	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Use a wider range of vocabulary. Link to discussions about wild animals	Wild and Endangered Animals	Relationships Piece 4 Falling out and bullying Part 1	Sing – 5 Little monkeys, The bear went over the mountain Painting stripes, spots, scales, zig zags, etc,	Weekly PE sessions Moving like wild animals – what are the features of animals? Move fast, climb, crawl, stomp?
<u>5</u> 11th May <i>Sports Day 15th</i>	Focus: Identify and create repeating patterns	’ Rhyme of the Week: Head, shoulders, knees and toes RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: t TfW: Dear Zoo	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens	Arctic Animals	Relationships Piece 5 Falling out and bullying Part 2	Sing ‘Polar bear what do you hear?’ Paintings using ice cubes Create a polar bear Create artic art work	Weekly PE sessions Frozen animals in ice .- use tools to explore
<u>6</u> 18th May <i>Training Day – Nursery closed 22nd</i>	Focus: Explore positional language	Rhyme of the Week:5 Currant buns RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: i TfW: Dear Zoo	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens	Animals that live in the ocean	Relationships Piece 6 Being the best friends we can be	Create an under the sea collage Create a rainbow fish	Weekly PE sessions Moving like sea creatures – what are the features of animals? Move fast or slow/ swim/ jump through water
<u>7</u> 25th May	HALF TERM						

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8 1st June Inset day 1 st Reserve Sports day 5 th	Focus: Link numerals and amounts (1-10)	Rhyme of the Week: 5 Little monkeys RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: n TfW: The Gingerbread Man	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Use talk to organise themselves and their play	Welcome back	Changing Me – Jigsaw Piece 1 – My Body	Painting holiday news	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through nature crafts.
9 8th June	Focus: Talk about and explore 2D & 3D shapes	Rhyme of the Week: I can sing a rainbow RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: p TfW: The Gingerbread Man	Start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns. Link to half term holiday	Adventure into space – Valentina Tereshkova	Changing Me – Jigsaw Piece 2 – Respecting my body	Sing – 5 little men Junk model spaceship Chalk pictures – black pictures Space station	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through using tweezers & Geoboards Hickory Dickory Bumble Bee
10 15th June	Focus: Explore positional language	Rhyme of the Week: 5 Little men in a flying saucer RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: g TfW: The Gingerbread Man	Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story	Polar Adventure – Ernest Shackleton	Changing Me – Jigsaw Piece 3 – Growing Up	Sing – 10 little polar bears Make shelters Create snowy scene Ice pictures	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through threading – Ring Games here we go around the Mulberry bush
11 22nd June <i>Little City Visit 24th</i> <i>Highworth 30th Party 26th</i>	Focus: Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight & capacity	Rhyme of the Week: Incy Wincy Spider RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: o TfW: The Gingerbread Man	Use a wider range of vocabulary. Link to discussing mountain adventures	Mountain Adventures – Sir Edmund Hillary & Tenzing Norgay	Changing Me – Jigsaw Piece 4 – Growth and Change	Sing – She'll be coming around the mountain Make base camp – use a tent Make paper mache mountains Rollings shapes in paint	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through paper mache – scissor skills Ring games – Sandy girl/boy
12 29th June	Focus: Identify and create repeating patterns	Rhyme of the Week: 5 Little speckled frogs RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: c TfW: The Gingerbread Man	Be able to express a point of view and to debate when they disagree. Link to Jigsaw	Being Brave – Malala Yousafzai	Changing Me – Jigsaw Piece 5 Fun & Fears	Sing - Be brave song Experimenting and trying new art activities Create picture for pictures – Framed	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through drawing what they might do when an adult Obstacle course
13 6th July <i>Transition Day 7th</i>	Focus: Link numerals and amounts (1-10)	Rhyme of the Week: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star RWI Set 1 Sounds focus: k TfW: Poetry	Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens	Local Hero's	Changing Me – Jigsaw Piece 6 Celebrations	Sing – Fire fighters song Paintings of local community hero's Self portraits	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through Spray bottles – paint Gross motor skills- parachute games
14 13th July	Focus: Talk about and explore 2D & 3D shapes	Rhyme of the Week: 5 Little ducks Transition stories	Sing a large repertoire of songs.	Summer/ Transition	Transition	Summer artwork	Weekly PE Session (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through name writing Gross motor skills- parachute games
15 20th July <i>End of term 22nd 2:15pm</i>	Number formation	Favourite rhymes Transition stories	Sing a large repertoire of songs.	Summer/ Transition	Transition	Create a piece of artwork for my new teacher	Develop fine motor skills through name writing Gross motor skills- ring games