

Highworth Combined School

Medium Term Planning – Spring Term 1 2025: Nursery

Week beginning	Mathematics	Literacy	Communication and language	Understanding the world (PKC) Dinosaurs	PSED (JIGSAW) Jigsaw – Goals & Dreams	Expressive arts and design (Friday Music - exploring percussion instruments & singing)	Physical Development
1 6th January INSET Tues Children back on Weds 8th Jan –	Number Blocks: Partitioning 4 Focus: Show 'finger numbers' to 5 Sing a number rhyme	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 1: Environmental Sounds T4W 'Dinosaur Roar!'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Settling in/Share our holiday news	Dreams & Goals Piece 1 - I understand what a challenge means	Paintings/drawings of holiday news Dinosaur Role play area	Weekly PE sessions (Thursday) Develop fine motor skills through finger gym & scissor skills.
2 13th September	Number Blocks: Addition & subtraction of 1, number bonds to 5 Focus: Say one number for each item in order 1-5 Model adding 1 & subtracting 1	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 1: Environmental Sounds T4W 'Dinosaur Roar!'	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Past & Present	Dreams & Goals Piece 2 – I can keep trying until I can do something	Paper plate Brontosaurus, play dough dinos, dino masks, decorate a dino with printed dinosaurs & collage.	Weekly PE sessions (Thursday) Dinosaur crafts focusing on fine motor skills
3 20th January	Number Blocks: Addition & subtraction of numbers to 5, number bonds to 5 Focus: 'Cardinal Principle' Model with number pebbles & manipulatives	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 4: Rhythm & Rhyme T4W 'Dinosaur Roar!'	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Tyrannosaurs Rex & Stegosaurus	Dreams & Goals Piece 3 - I can set a goal & work towards it.	Trex painting with sponges/stencils, create a stegosaurus dinner with different craft materials.	Weekly PE sessions (Thursday) Children look at shape & pattern whilst using fine motor skills.
4 27th January Individual photos on Tue 24th (am)	Number Blocks: Counting 1-6, subitising dice patterns Focus: 'Subitising'	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 4: Rhythm & Rhyme T4W 'Dinosaur Roar!'	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Palaeontologists & Fossils Chinese New Year The Year of the snake	Dreams & Goals Piece 4 – I know some kind words to encourage people with.	Chinese New Year crafts	Weekly PE sessions (Thursday) Create Clay & Salt dough fossils – strengthening fingers
5 3rd February	Number Blocks: 7 is more than 6, counting 1-7 Focus: Recite numbers past 5 Play bag of numbers & order together	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 5: Alliteration T4W 'Dinosaur Roar!'	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Pterosaurs & Plesiosaurs	Dreams & Goals Piece 5 – I can start to think about the jobs might like I to do when I am other.	Plesiosaurs/pterosaurs habitat collage with different craft materials.	Weekly PE sessions (Thursday) Rescuing the dinosaurs from slimy swamp with tweezers
6 10th February School closes for half term on 14th February	Number Blocks: Counting 1-8, 8 is more than 7, subitising to 8 Focus: Link numerals & amounts Model with number pebbles & manipulatives	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 6: Voice Sounds T4W 'Dinosaur Roar!'	Link to PKC Key Vocabulary Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	We can learn about dinosaurs from... & What do we know about dinosaurs.	Dreams & Goals Piece 6 – I can feel proud when I achieve a goal.	Make puppets and join in singing dinosaur songs and role-play.	Weekly PE sessions (Thursday) Supporting development of fine motor skills through making dinosaur masks

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<u>7</u> 24th February	Number Blocks: Counting 1-9 Focus: Recite numbers past 5 Use manipulatives and number pebbles	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 4: Rhythm & Rhyme T4W 'The Little Red Hen'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Seasons & Change	Healthy Me Piece 1 – Everybody's Body	Leaf rubbings, printing with leaves, making natural confetti by cutting leaves, make a 'nature' collage. Music: Vivaldi 'The Four Seasons'. Paint to Music	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through nature crafts.
<u>8</u> 31st February	Number Blocks: Counting 1-10 Focus: Recite numbers past 5 Use manipulatives and number pebbles	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 5: Alliteration T4W 'The Little Red Hen'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Growing Plants	Healthy Me Piece 2 – We like to move, move it...	Painting flowers inspired by Vincent van Gogh Role Play Garden centre	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through planting activity & geoboards
<u>9</u> 3rd March Pancake Day 04/03/25	Number Blocks: Counting 1-10, adding 1 Focus: Compare quantities using language Demonstrate using manipulatives	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 5: Alliteration T4W 'The Little Red Hen'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Animals	Washing my hands – talk about the sequence using visuals	Vet role-play, design & create butterflies/caterpillars using different craft materials, make play dough caterpillars.	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through creative activities
<u>10</u> 10th March	Number Blocks: Count back from 10 to 1, number bonds that total 10 Focus: Explore the composition of numbers to 10	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 6: Voice Sounds T4W 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Food & Farming We can grow food to eat Farmers harvest crops for us to eat.	Healthy Me Piece 3 – Food Glorious Food	Vegetable printing	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through making a fruit salad
<u>11</u> 17th March	Focus: 2D Shapes Play bag of shapes in small groups	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 7: Oral Blending & Segmenting T4W 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	Food & Farming We grow & change over time When we become adults there are many different things we can do.	Healthy Me Piece 4 – Sweet Dreams	Imaginative play exploring different jobs	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through drawing what they might do when an adult
<u>12</u> 24th March Mother's Day 30/03/25	Focus: Positional Language Use Teddy Bear & Chair	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 7: Oral Blending & Segmenting T4W 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	EASTER	Healthy Me Piece 5 – Keeping Clean	Easter Crafts	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through easter craft making
<u>13</u> 31st March	Focus: Repeating Patterns Extend & Create ABAB Patterns	Rhyme of the Week Focus: Develop phonological awareness Aspect 6: Voice Sounds T4W 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'	Focus: Explore sound discrimination through weekly music session Singing songs to develop vocabulary	EASTER	Healthy Me Piece 6 – Stranger Danger	Easter Crafts	PE Session Develop fine motor skills through easter craft making