	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term			
Topic	Explorers & Adventurers		Big Egg / Little Egg		Get Set Go!			
	Exploring School	Special Times	Dinosaurs A	Animals that lay eggs	Ready Steady Cook!	Off we go!		
Personal, Social	Being me in my world	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and goals	Relationships	Healthy me	Changing me		
& Emotional Development	Who am I and how do I fit:?	Respect for similarity and difference. Anti-bulling and being unique. How am I unique?	Aspirations, how to achieve goals and understanding the emotions that go with this. What are my goals?	Building positive, healthy relationships. What is a positive relationship?	Being and keeping safe and healthy. How can I be healthy?	Coping positively with change. How can I manage change?		
		We Thinkers – Thinking Thoughts & Feelings	We Thinkers – The Groups	We Thinkers – Thinking with our Eyes	We Thinkers – Body in the Group	We Thinkers – Whole Body Listening		
Physical			Gross Moto	or		, 3		
Development	Exploring outdoor area and learning how to use equipment & apparatus safely Invasion Games Unit (Negotiating space and exploring ways of moving)	Gymnastics Unit – Balancing, jumping, climbing & rolling.	Dance Unit	Net & Wall Unit	Athletics Unit	Striking & Fielding Unit Sports Day Activities		
	Fine Motor Skills activities practised daily through handwriting, finger gym, construction, threading, dressing & undressing, dough gym, cutting, woodwork, art and craft activities etc. Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing- using the tripod grip in almost all cases Use a range of small tool, including scissors, paint brushes and cutlery Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing							
Communication & Language	Daily activities that help children to: talk confidently and clearly, learn and use a breadth of vocabulary, show an awareness of the listener, enjoy listening to stories, songs and poems, showing good attention, follow instructions, answer questions about stories							
	Key Vocab — School environment Classroom equipment Autumn Key Activity — Share All About Me Bag Oracy — I am going to turn towards the person who is speaking to me	Key vocab – Autumn Night Sky & Space Christmas Key Activity – To retell Whatever Next using the story map/sequencing cards/puppets. Oracy - I am going to look at who I'm talking to so that my voice comes out	Key Vocab – Dinosaurs What were dinosaurs called? Key Activity – to use descriptive language to talk about a dinosaur Oracy – I can take turns to speak with a partner. (learning partners)	Key Vocab – Lifecycles Spring Key Activity – to describe a lifecycle using stem sentences Oracy – I will use my new vocabulary when I get busy.	Key Vocab – Food, fruit & vegetables, planting, growing Key Activity – To follow instructions to plant a seed and to put the sequence in order. Oracy - I will explain my ideas by using 'because'.	Key Vocab – transport Environments Journeys Key Activity – Can describe a school trip in detail. Oracy - I can ask a question to find out about something.		
Literacy	Focus Text – Little Red Hen	clearly Focus Text – Whatever Next	Focus Text – The Little Green dinosaur	Focus Text – The Hungry Caterpillar	Focus Text – Oliver's Vegetables	Focus Text – Bear Hunt		

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	Begins to join in with key vocab and refrains when retelling using story map Finger gym/mark making/ writing names/ letter formation RWInc – Set 1 sounds & oral blending Read 1st set of Tricky Words	TFW – Sequencing and retelling using story maps and props. Finger Fit/Focus write: To be able identify the initial sounds Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence RWInc – Set 1 sounds and blending Read 1st Set of Tricky words	TFW – Sequencing and retelling using story maps and props. Finger Fit/Focus write: Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence To be able to write cvc words correctly RWInc – Reading Ditties (depending on group) Read 2 nd Set of Tricky words	TFW – Sequencing and retelling using story maps and props. Finger fit/ Focus write: Attempts to write a short sentence. To be able to write cvcc / ccvc words correctly Use phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. RWInc – Reading Red Ditty Books Read 2 nd Set of tricky word	TFW – Sequencing and retelling using story maps and props. Finger fit/ Focus write: Write a sentence with finger spaces. Be able to spell some familiar common exception words. RWInc. Set 2 Sounds & Green Books Read 3rd set of Tricky words	TFW – Sequencing and retelling using story maps and props. Finger fit/ Focus write: Write a sentence with finger spaces and a full stop. Be able to spell some familiar common exception words. RWInc Set 2 Sounds & Green/Purple Books Read 3 rd Set of Tricky words
Mathematics	Weeks 1-3: Baselining/settling	It's Me 1,2,3	Alive in 5	Length, Height & Time	To 20 & Beyond	Sharing & grouping
	Match, sort and compare	Circles & Triangles	Mass & Capacity	Building 9 & !0	How Many Now?	Visualise, Build & Map
	Talk about measure and patterns	1,2,3,4,5 Shapes with 4 sides	Growing 6,7,8	Exploring 3d Shapes	Manipulate, Compose & decompose	Make Connections
Understanding of the World Past & Present People Culture & Communities	Activity -Sharing All About Me Bags and family photographs Knowledge/Skill – To be able to talk about family and things that are special to them Activity -Exploring the school environment through environment walks and using different areas Knowledge/Skill – To name different areas within school and say what they are used for Activity – Meet different adults at school and paint pictures of them. Knowledge/ Skill – To recognise jobs that familiar adults do	Historical Association Enquiry – What are our favourite celebrations each year? Activity – Hold a birthday celebration for a toy , discuss how we know how old the toy is (candles / cards) Talk about when our birthdays are and what we do to celebrate. Children's birthdays to be added to our Learning Journey display to create a timeline	Activity – Celebrating Chinese New Year– Use BBC clips to introduce children to the Festival Look at similarities with festivals they may have celebrated. Discuss how it is celebrated all over the world but originated in China Find China on the map. Listen to Chinese music, make cards, dragons and Chinese lanterns. Hold a celebration where children can taste Chinese food.	Activity: Celebrating St Piran's Day – Share a collection of Cornish artefacts e.g. flag, pasty saffron bun for a "see, think, wonder?" activity. Discuss how these are all associated with Cornwall. Find Cornwall on map. Use St Piran PowerPoint to look at the story of St Piran. Join in St Piran celebrations by making flags, scones and sharing a cream tea. Knowledge/Skill – To know that Penryn is in the	Where does our food come from? Activity: Visit to Asda to buy fruit and vegetables and to look at different types of food. Discuss jobs in our community e.g. grocery worker, baker Activity: Look at fruit and investigate where it comes from. Identify countries on map and discuss climate which enables growing. Knowledge/Skill – To know that food is grown if	Activity: Going on a journey – Walks in the local environment and documenting using route maps Knowledge /Skill – To produce a simple map which they can explain Activity: A visit to the beach – Explore beach and rockpool environments, identifying plants and creatures and how that contrasts with EYFS garden and Forest School

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Activity -Exploring local area map / arial photograph and finding the school – Display as part of our class board-

Knowledge/ Skill - To name the school and town and become familiar with the concept of a map / arial photograph recognising that it is a view from above

Harvest

R.E. - Why is the word God special to Christians?

Clever Touch - Mark Making & using tools

Awesome Autumn. **Garlands Garlore** Computational thinking..creating pattern and logic

Activity- children create garlands from prints of autumn objects. They collect natural objects such as leaves, pine cones, acorns etc. and use them to create prints on long paper strips. Knowledge/Skill. Children talk about the patterns they can see in a sequence and continue a given pattern. They spot mistakes in patterns and fix them.

Activity: Observe daily weather

Knowledge/Skill - To talk about a celebration that is special to me and how I celebrate

Activity – Celebrate Bonfire night by talking about children's experiences. Looking at pictures, craft activities and taking part in a virtual firework display Knowledge/Skill – To know that Bonfire night is celebrated in our local community and talk about what happens.

Activity – Celebrating Diwali – Use BBC clips to introduce children to Diwali. Look at similarities with festivals they may have celebrated. Discuss how it is celebrated all over the world but originated in India. Find India on the map. Listen to Indian music, make cards, rangoli patterns. Mendhi hands and diva lamps. Hold a celebration where children can taste Indian food. Knowledge / Skill – To know that Diwali is celebrated all over the world To be able to identify a way in which it is celebrated. To say how it is similar to a festival they know

about.

Knowledge / Skill – To know that Chinese New Year is celebrated all over the world To be able to identify a way in which it is celebrated. To say how it is similar to a festival they know about. To become familiar with the word country and that a map shows different countries

What were Dinosaurs?

Activity : Are dinosaurs alive now? How do we know about dinosaurs? -Use fossils, online artefacts or pictures to ask "see, think, wonder? " activity to discuss how dinosaurs lived a long time ago. Introduce the role of a palaeontologist and how they help us to find out about things in the past. Introduce children to the Penryn Timeline to show when dinosaurs lived Knowledge/Skills - To be able to say that dinosaurs lived in the past and are extinct To know that we find out about them through

looking at fossils and

To become aware of the word palaeontologist and say what they do.

Inspirational Individual Who is Mary Anning?

County of Cornwall and we can find it on a map. To know that we celebrate St Piran's Day in Cornwall To name some things associated with Cornwall

Other Special Times: Mothering Sunday, **Shrove Tuesday**

Activity: Which celebrations have we celebrated this term – put celebrations onto Learning Journey to create timeline Skills /Knowledge – to be able to talk about things that happened in the past showing a knowledge of the passing of time

Historical Association Enquiry – How I've changed since I was a baby: Activity: Show children a selection of baby toys -Use "see, think, wonder?" Discuss who would use these. Would they use them now? Introduce some age appropriate toys and ask children to sort into groups: Toys I use now / Toys I used Knowledge / Skill – To be able to talk about now

and then

different countries and this is dependent on climate

Activity: Visit a local farm to look at where food is grown in this country. Discuss jobs in our community – Farmer Knowledge /Skill – To know that some food is grown in our locality and that farmers grow food

R.E - Being Special where do we belong?

Using iPad's and cameras to take pictures and record videos Growing and tasting vegetables. Investigate seeds Identify parts of a plant

Healthy Eating & Healthy lifestyle

Planting seeds. Computational thinking.... algorithms, decomposition and collaboration Activity. children begin by looking at pictures of the steps involved in planting seeds .They then

Knowledge/Skill - Talk about some differences between beach and garden

Inspirational Individual. Steve Backshall.

Historical Society Enquiry - Why do we wear different clothes at different times of the

Activity: What do we

wear in Spring /Summer? - Pack a suitcase and ask children to discuss when they would wear these clothes? Talk about the seasons and differences. Record Summer on the **Learning Journey** Knowledge/Skills – To know that Spring / Summer are seasons To know that seasons change through the year To know that now it is summer

Activity: As above but with Autumn/Winter clothes Knowledge/skills -To know that Autumn / Winter are seasons To know that seasons change through the year To know that Autumn / Winter are in the past Activity: Our Year – Use Learning Journey to encourage conversation about our year. Children

I can understand the effect of	To become familiar with		Activity: Read Once There	sequence the pictures so	record something they
changing seasons on the natural	the word country and		Were Giants and	that they make sense and	can do now that they
world	that a map shows	Where did dinosaurs live?	sequence pictures from	are in the correct order.	couldn't when they
World	different countries	Activity: Use Twinkl	the story. Discuss the	Next, they follow their	started school
I can describe what I see, hear and	different countries	PowerPoint to find out	differences as the little	pictorial instructions to	Knowledge /Skills – to
feel outside	Activity: Which	about where dinosaurs	girl grows. Introduce the	plant their seeds. They	talk about events in the
reer outside	celebrations have we	live. Sort pictures of	word Timeline and refer	will also think about what	past
EA – Observations over time	celebrated this term – put	dinosaurs to show where	back to our Learning	plants need to grow and	To talk about changes in
Identifying, grouping &	celebrations onto	they lived – land / sea /air	Journey and Penryn	the best place to put their	living memory
classifying	Learning Journey to	Knowledge /Skill – to know	Timeline and how it	newly planted seeds.	
5.655	create timeline	that dinosaurs lived in	shows the passage of	Knowledge/ Skill	
ES – Observing & Measuring	Skills /Knowledge – to be	different habitats	time. Use chronological	understand the effect of	
Recording Data	able to talk about things	To be aware and name	vocab – now ,next, then,	changing seasons on the	Special Times: Father's
5 T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	that happened in the past	land, sea and air as	before, soon. Children	natural world around	Day, trips, transition days
Activity: Autumn walk to Tremough	showing a knowledge of	features of our	make own timeline of	them.	 Recorded on Learning
,	the passing of time	environment.	growing up.		Journey
I can describe what I can see, hear	, ,		Knowledge/Skills – To		R.E Which places are
and feel whilst outside	Inspirational Individual	Activity: How were	order the growth of a		special and why?
I can explore the natural world	Who is Julia Donaldson?	dinosaurs the same or	human using		. ,
around me		different?	chronological vocab.		
I can understand the effect of	Activity: What can we				Using programmable toys
changing seasons on the natural	find out about pumpkins?	I can sort and classify	Activity: What did we look		
world	Pumpkin investigation	creatures	like as babies? Children		investigating a Rock pool
			and adults within the		Floating & Sinking
EA – Identifying, grouping &	I can describe what I can	EA – Research	setting bring in a baby		
classifying	see and feel	Identifying Grouping	photograph for children		
Observations over time		& classifying	to guess the identity.		Summer fun.
	EA – Identifying grouping		Knowledge/Skill – To		Journeys.
ES – Asking questions	& classifying	ES – Asking questions	identify similarities/		Computational thinking.
Making predictions	ES – Asking questions	Observing and	differences between now		logic, algorithms,
Observing & measuring	Making Predictions	Measuring	and then		creating, collaborating,
Recording Data	Observing & Measuring	Recording Data			tinkering
Interpreting and	Recording Data	Interpreting and	Inspirational Individual		Activity-Children will be
communication data		communicating results	Who is David		encouraged to develop
	Activity: Can you launch a		Attenborough?		their own map to record
Activity : Which cereal will be the	rocket into space?	Activity: Which other			things they might see
soggiest when the bears get back		animals lay eggs			whilst on a journey.
from their walk?	I can explore natural				Children can take
Lange tolly also at also assess that the	processes (air moving	I can groups and classify			photographs or make
I can talk about changes that I have	objects)	animals			a list, with support, of
noticed	EA - Research	EA Bosoarch	D.E. Why is Faster special		the things they see.
EA Comparative testing	Problem Solving ES – Asking Questions	EA – Research Identifying, grouping &	R.E – Why is Easter special to Christians?		Children will be
EA - Comparative testing Observation over time	Observing &		to Christians!		supported in adding
Pattern Seeking	Measuring &	classifying	Spring – Seasonal Changes		drawings, sketches,
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the map and develop
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explanation skills
Inspirational Individual
Who is Amelia Earhart?

		making pumpkin soup. They look at images of the steps involved in making the soup, and sequence them so that they make sense. They follow their pictorial recipes to create the pumpkin soup. Skills. Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others.				
Expressive Arts & Design	Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills Using & naming colours I can name the colours I use in my pictures Making marks with different tools I can use pencils and paintbrushes to make marks. Constructing using block play resources Handling and manipulating different media — collage Experimenting with joining materials — glue & tape Engaging in role play based on first hand experiences Music - Focus: Learn to sing nursery rhymes and action songs: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive Five Little Ducks	Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills Handling and manipulating different materials – collage Using a range of media and techniques to produce Christmas cards and decorations Engaging in drama activities – class productions Music – Focus: Learn to sing songs, sharing & performing learning that has taken place Christmas Performance	Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills Colour mixing activities (including marbling) Selecting colour for a particular purpose Using tools to create simple representations of events, people and places Constructs with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources (junk modelling / outdoor loose parts) Begin to act out a narrative in role play based on first hand experiences and story book language and ideas Chinese New Year Dances Artist Study – Kadinsky Music – Focus: Learn to sing nursery rhymes and action songs:	Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills Colour mixing activities (including marbling) Experimenting with joining materials – hinges, split pins, hammer & nails Handling and Manipulating different media – weaving, & paper mache. Using a range of media and techniques to produce Easter cards and decorations Music – Our World Musical learning focus	Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills Explores shades of colour Representations are more detailed (observational drawings) Begins to plan and adapt work Handling and manipulating materials — Using photography as a form of capturing and recording Music — Big Bear Funk Musical learning focus: Listening and appraising Funk music Embedding foundations of the interrelated dimensions of music using voices and instruments	Activities based on topic work, seasonal changes and children's interests that promote the following skills Works collaboratively on a class art piece that uses a range of techniques and textures Experimenting with joining materials – axels, screws & screwdrivers Artist Study – John Dyer Music – Reflect, rewind and replay Musical learning focus: Listen and Appraise Continue to embed the foundations of the interrelated dimensions of music using voices and instruments

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	Hickory Dickory Dock			
This Old Man		Listening and responding	Learning to sing Big Bear	Sing and revisit nursery
The Grand Old Duke of York	Row, Row, Roe your Boat	to different styles of music	Funk and revisiting other nursery rhymes and	rhymes and action songs
I'm a Little Teapot	Chop, Chop, Chopity Chop	Embedding foundations of	action songs	Play instruments within the song
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star	The clock says tick tock	the interrelated dimensions of music	Playing instruments within the song	Improvisation using
		Learning to sing or sing along with nursery	Improvisation using voices and instruments	voices and instruments
		rhymes and action songs		Riff-based composition
	Wind The Bobbin Up	Improvising leading to playing classroom	Riff-based composition	Share and perform the learning that has taken
	Rock-a-bye Baby	instruments	Share and perform the learning that has taken place	place
	Five Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed	Singing and learning to play instruments within a song		
	Twinkle Twinkle	Share and perform the learning that has taken		
	If You're Happy And You Know It	place		
	Head, Shoulders, Knees And Toes	Learn to sing nursery rhymes and action songs:		
	Allu Toes	Old Macdonald		
		Incy Wincy Spider		
		Baa Baa Black Sheep		
		Row, Row, Row Your Boat		
	I'm A Little Teapot	The Wheels On The Bus		
		The Hokey Cokey		

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			The Grand Old Duke Of York Ring O' Roses Hickory Dickory Dock Not Too Difficult The ABC Song			
Trips, visits & visitors	Autumn Walk to Tremough	Outreach with Falmouth Art Gallery Christmas Trip Walk to Penryn Library	Trip to RCM / Loan box Link up with uni – mineral/fossils	Spring Walk to Tremough Caterpillars in classroom	Trip to Asda Outreach with Uni	Maritime museum visit Walk to Penryn Park Summer Walk to Tremough
Characteristics of Effective Learning	Focus: Playing & Exploring Introduce Tryosaur Courtesy, resilience, kindness, helpfulness, cooperation, respect, gratitude, honesty, caring, determination, patience, friendliness, forgiveness, self-discipline, friendliness, courage, fairness		Focus: Activ Introduce E Courtesy, resilience, kindnes respect, gratitude, hones patience, friendliness, fo friendliness, co	explorasaur ss, helpfulness, cooperation, ty, caring, determination, rgiveness, self-discipline,	Introduce Courtesy, resilience, l cooperation, respect, gr determination, patience, fri	Thinking Critically Thinkasaur kindness, helpfulness, atitude, honesty, caring, iendliness, forgiveness, self- iss, courage, fairness