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| **Themes****Key Texts** | **8 weeks****Spot loves Nursery****Guess how much I love you****Owl babies****Love Makes a Family** **Families, Families, Families****Who's In My Family?****Elma** (Y1 Friendship and acceptance)**The Enormous Turnip** | **7 weeks****We are going on a bear hunt****We’re going on a lion hunt****MOVING HOUSE (First Experiences)****Maisy Goes on Holiday** **Brown Bear Goes to London (Link to Y1/2)****Busy Shopping****The Christmas Story** | **6 weeks****You Can't Take An Elephant On the Bus****Big Yellow Digger (Ben & Bella)****Big Blue Train (Ben & Bella)****I'm The Bin Lorry Driver****That’s not my plane****Little Blue Truck** (link to farm animals)**Chinese New Year story** | **5 weeks** **Old Mac Donald had a farm****Farmyard Hullabaloo****Spot goes to the farm****Noisy farm****Farmer duck****Rosie’s walk** **Nonfiction books** about growing, animals and farms **The Easter story**I Love Mum with The Very Hungry Caterpillar | **6 weeks****The Three Billy Goats Gruff****Little Red Riding Hood****Humpty Dumpty****5 little monkeys** **Hey diddle, diddle** | **7 weeks****Home: where our story begins -**fact recall**Sharing a shell** – predicting ending and setting**Fidgety Fish**- alliteration**Rainbow Fish** – predicting ending**Shark in the Park** - rhyming**A Place Called Home:** Look Inside Houses Around the World **The Journey Home**: An environmental message (Y3-Poles And Artic)**Topsy and Tim: Move House/start school**My Dad |
| **Theme** | **Love is all around me!****(families/friendships)****Autumn festival-** **Harvest 8th oct** **Diwali 20th Oct** | **Where will we go? (Journeys)** **Autumn festivals- Christmas** | **How will we get there? (Transport)****Spring festival-** **Chinese New Year 17th Feb-Horse** | **On the farm!****Spring festival- Easter** | **Our Creative Journey!**Retell and join in with repeated refrains in Nursery Rhymes and fairy tales.Create own stories using story sacks and helicopter stories. | **Homes around me!**What are the different homes people live in?Do homes change in different countries?Where do animals live?What about sea creatures? |
| **Role play areas** | Outside: farm shop- fruit and vegInside: Party table in home corner | Outside: Santas grottoInside: London gift shop | Outside: car washInside: train/bus | Outside: Gardening shedInside: vets  | Outside: Troll house and bridgeInside: Grandmas cottage-with bed | Outside: Pet shopInside: Aquarium  |
| **Forest school** | Rules and routines in forest areaColour matching hat activity Musical nature- make different sounds with what they findMemory game with natural itemsEye spy with home made binoculars  | Leaf Art: Create collages or rubbings using fallen leaves.Trail Making: Use natural materials to mark and create paths in the forest.Weather Observation: Track rainfall, measure wind direction, or study cloud patterns.What am I match pictures with real nature items in bagsLeaf baskets- turn over and cover in Vaseline, then leaves, then glue. | Cooking Outdoors: Making Hot ChocolateMeditative Walking: Walk in silence, paying attention to the crunch of leaves or the sound of birds.Treasure Hunts: Create scavenger hunts using nature items like acorns, feathers, or specific plants. | Cooking Outdoors: Bug Hunts: Search for and identify insects with magnifying glasses and bug jars.Nature Art Installation: Create large artworks collaboratively using natural materials.Respond to a letter by mark making in mud sand… | Tracking: Learn to recognize animal tracks and signs like nests, droppings, or chewed leaves.Cooking Outdoors: Make roasted marshmallowsObstacle Courses: Set up challenges using logs, ropes, and other found items.Planting: Help reforest areas by planting saplings.Story Circles: Gather around and create collective stories inspired by nature. | Fairy Houses: Build tiny homes for forest fairies using moss, leaves, and stones.Bug Hotels: Build habitats for insects using twigs, leaves, and recycled materials.Making spiders webs: using wool.Cooking Outdoors: Make campfire breadDen Making |
| **Key Events** |  | Bonfire Night 5th NovRemembrance Day 11th NovChristmas performance 16th December x2PJ party 9th December (Children invited into Nursery wearing their P. J’sParent mornings to start- Book change. | Valentines’ day 14th FebShrove Tuesday/ Pancake Day 17.02.26  | World Book Day 5th MarchMother’s Day 15th March- Invite in for afternoon tea |  Grandparent’s afternoon – crafting for story sacks.  | Father’s Day 21st June- Invite them in for Forest school Den making Sports Day 2nd July (Reception/ Nursery AM)End of year Graduation (parents invited into school) Under the sea party – ice cream van  |