# Topic Knowledge Organiser: Nursery





# Term 2 - November 2021

Topic: Gingerbread Man / Christmas

Book Focus : Gingerbread Man



# Nursery Subjects Coverage (3-4 years curriculum )

PSE:	CLD:	PD:	EAD:	UTW:	Maths:	Literacy:
SR, MS, BR	<mark>Speak</mark>	<mark>GMS</mark>	<b>CWM</b>	Past / Pres	Number	Comp
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				<mark>Nat W</mark>		<mark>Writing</mark>

Characteristic of Effective	Characteristic of Effective	Characteristic of Effective
learning:	<u>learning:</u>	<u>learning:</u>
Play and Explore : ( PE)	Active learning : (AL)	Creating and Thinking critically: (CT)
Finding out and exploring.  Being willing to have a go.  Playing with what they know.	Being involved and concentrating. keep on trying. Enjoying and achieving what they set out to do.	Having their own ideas and making links. Choosing ways to do things.

#### Things I will learn during this topic:

Literacy	Pre -reading skills / Word Reading
Reading Focus : The Gingerbread man	Develop their phonological awareness. Continue oral
	segmentation / blending linked to sound only.
	Comprehension
	Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning
	new vocabulary. Discuss story settings, events and principal characters .
	I will paint a picture of my favourite character from
	the story and say why they are my favourite.
	Understand the five key concepts about print. I will try
	to use 'and", 'because' when talking about my character.
	Writing
	some letters accurately. Children to write /draw
	favourite character from the GBM story /say why if
	able to do so .
	Write some or all of their name. Write Children to make
	marks or write their name in a Christmas card for
	parent

# In Provision Use speech bubbles to discuss what they might say / answer questions / feelings - put large paper on table and a picture of character with a speech bubble Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. To distinguish between picture and writing - use some letter shapes. Maths Little Big maths Continue counting to 5 Listen for children missing out numbers as they count to 5 and beyond Number Patterns (Shape) - Link to xmas Combine shapes to make new ones - an arch, a bigger triangle etc. Shows an interest in shape and space by playing with shapes or making arrangements with objects- put in provision shape resources. This will be presented in the form of a Christmas card. Talk about, name and explore 2D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles). Number Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5. Identify how many objects are in a set and beginning to represent numbers using fingers, marks on paper or pictures.- skittles game Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5. To recognise numbers to 5. **PSE** Self-Regulation Enjoys responsibility of carrying out small tasks- all have a class job -monitor Building relationships Develop appropriate ways of being assertive. Uses friendly behaviour, initiating conversations and forming good relationships with peers and familiar adults- Do they say hello as a greeting? Do they tell adults/peers about themselves in a conversation? Are they kind and helpful towards others? Managing Self Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are

important. Accepts the needs of others and can take turns and share resources, sometimes with support from others- play a class dice game using characters from the

story / number recognition dice game

To share resources with others.

CLD	Listening and Attention
	Read the GB story and observe who joins in with
	repeated refrains and anticipates key events and
	phrases in rhymes and stories.
	Understanding
	Beginning to understand 'why' and 'how' question on
	display -Why did the GB man run away? How did the
	fox manage to eat him?
	Understanding - Shows understanding of prepositions
	using Humpty Dumpty character.
	To answer 'how 'and 'why' questions
	Speaking
	Develop their communication, but may continue to have
	problems with irregular tenses and plurals. Use longer
	sentences of four to six words.
	Retell GB story using 'and' 'because'
	Adult to model this in a verbal sentence (add to
	display).
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PD	Gross Motor
	Use large scale movements to make marks. Can copy
	some letters, eg. letters from their name and continue
	drawing circles and lines using large motor movements
	- large drawing boards outside using chalks and
	continuing to copy letter of their name under adult
	direction so that letters are formed correctly - use
	fine sand in tough tray Fine Motor
	Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. Holds pencil between thumb and two
	fingers, no longer whole-hand grasp.
	Holds pencil near point between first two fingers and
	thumb and uses it with control.
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UTW	The Natural World
	Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural
	materials. Explore and talk about different forces they
	can feel.
	Comments and asks questions about the natural world.
	Can talk about some of the things they have observed
	such as plants, animals, natural and found objects.
	Developing an understanding of growth, decay and
	changes over time.
	People and Communities
	Explore how things work. Talks about why things happen
	and how things work.

# EAD Creating with Materials Explore different materials freely, in order to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make. Making a bauble ,gift tag, Christmas card for Enterprise and a Gingerbread man using various construction materials. Being Imaginative and Expressive Remember and sing entire songs. Children will learn a

# Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings. Creates movement in response to music and sings a few familiar songs -Christmas songs.

few Christmas songs to be sung as part of a short play.

#### **SEALS**

Term 2	Teach Calming Down strategies / revise class rules as needed fro			from last
	half term	Stories : Owing up!	Being kind	

#### I will Continue to learn how to :

I will learn how to copy some letters of my name and hold my pencil using two fingers and a thumb. I will learn how to be aware of my own feelings and know that some actions or words can hurt others and all about the class rules in school in our SEALS lessons.

#### Places I will visit, people that will help me learn and exciting things that will happen:

Miss Stewart and Miss Smith will read rhyming stories, stories about the Gingerbread man and Christmas stories

Miss Stewart and Miss Smith will teach me words and phrases that I can use to encourage my friends to come and play with me e.g. Hello - Can I play?

Miss Smith will use our 'Emotions Faces' on entry to school to find out how you feel. Miss Smith will use calming music with breathing to help us be aware of our emotions during SEALS.

#### Home School Link

To create a model, picture or photograph expressing your creative ideas, linked to the Gingerbread Man. To bring into school your favourite book to share with the class and say why you like it.

#### Topic Driver - Focus Literacy and Reading

At the end of our topic I will have painted a picture of my favourite character from the Gingerbread Man story ( or from my own favourite story book that I read at home ) and used my words to say why they are my favourite character.

#### Key Characters I will learn about:

# Gingerbread Man



## **Humpty Dumpty**



#### Baker and his wife



### Farm animals



A fox



#### Key facts I need to know:

UTW -That Autumn is here now and the leaves are changing colour and falling from the trees.

All the Earth is getting colder after Summer and some living things begin to go to sleep ready for the Winter change .

Topic specific vocabulary I will use and learn the meaning of during this topic:		
changes	settings	
Autumn	Characters	
Leaves	Events	
Seasons	Favourite part	
tree	'because' 'and'	

What do I want to know? What questions do I have?

When do the leaves fall?

Why are they brown?

How have the trees changed? What is happening through the window?

What is your favourite book from home?

Which character do you like the best? Why?