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| Curriculum Phase | Term | Week | Key Text | Concepts | Artist | Resources including additional texts | Provision Ideas |
| The World Around Me Foundation 2 | Autumn 1 | Autumn  Nature Walk | We’re going on a leaf hunt | Belonging  Change  Pride | Andy Goldsworthy | Leafman | Introduction to continuous provision.    Curiosity picture  Show the children this picture and ask them what it shows? What do they know already about this time of the year? Why are the leaves not all green? Do we get purple leaves? I wonder why the leaves fall off the trees? Will the trees grow more leaves? What happens in Autumn? Where do the animals go? |
| Owls | Owl Babies | Big Book of Birds – Yuval Zommer  My First Book of Birds | Owl babies spot tray  PSED – safety and being cared for  Bird provocations  British Wildlife small world  Bird spotter walk  Explore feather mark making |
| Apples | Orange, Pear, Apple Bear | Apples, Apples Everywhere – Robin Koontz  Bad Apple  How to grow an apple pie  How the apples got their star | Walk to see an apple tree  How the apple got its star story  Apple printing  Halves and quarters apple exploration  Small world farm – harvesting  Make apple crumble. |
| Mushrooms | Tales of the Mushroom Folk | Wild Food a Guide for Foragers  A walk through mushroom town  Fungarium  Nature Anatomy | Woodland walk to find mushrooms  Walk to supermarket to see mushrooms  Create a fairy garden  Observational mushroom drawings  Make mushrooms out of clay |
| Leaves | Sweep | Tree: Seasons come seasons go  Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf  A leaf can be…  Leaf  Fletcher and the Falling leaves | Go on a leaf walk. Listen to the sounds such as crunching of the leaves  Leaf jumping  Add silk leaves to block play  Float leaves  Leaf lanterns |
| Sticks | Stanley’s stick | Stickman  The Stick Book  Not a stick | Collect sticks on a nature walk  Build a den using collected sticks  Decorate sticks and display on nature shelf  What shapes can we create with collected sticks  Make magic wands  Make journey sticks |
| Autumn 2 | Spiders | The Spider Next Door | Fear  Trust  Service  Spirituality | Walter’s wonderful web  Spinderella  Spiders by Rebecca Gilpin  The Very Busy Spider | Loose parts and photos of spiders  Black dough and loose parts  Outdoor cobweb curiosity  Black sugar paper and white crayons  Piping and drainpipe – incy wincy spider |
| Pumpkins | Pumpkin Soup | Pick a pumpkin  Pattan’s pumpkin  5 little pumpkins | Pumpkins and apple muffins  Thankfulness pumpkin  Visit a pumpkin patch  Range of different pumpkins – weighing scales and size ordering prompts |
| Hedgehogs | The Very Helpful Hedgehog | It was a Cold Dark Night  Hodge the Hedgehog  The Very Helpful Hedgehog  Hedgehog’s full moon party | Weather charts  Make vegetable stew and bread  Hedgehogs – clay and twigs  Make hedgehog homes outside  Explore texture and what happens to patterns when we print  Cosy Autumn reading den  Shades of brown – colour charts |
| Fire | Once upon a dragons fire | We will live in this forest again  No dragons for tea  The Fire Children  Bonfire Night (holidays and festivals) by Nancy Dickman | Go for a misty walk with torches  Talk about safety and car headlights on foggy days  Make parkin  Fire engine small world  Watch a video about Amazon rainforest fires  Bonfire night paintings  Orange yellow red loose parts  Hold a firework display |
| Stars | Star in the Jar | How to Catch a Star  The Solar System – Usborne Beginners  Draw mw a star – Eric Carle  The Whale the Sea and the Stars | Nature walk with magnifying glasses look for signs of decay  Make chocolate orange hot chocolate  Plant up a Japanese garden  Create a willow star decoration  Van Gogh Starry night picture to prompt  Large white sheet to paint a starry sky mural  Spaced themed tuff tray |
| Darkness | The Dark by Lemony Snicket | I’m not going out there  The Owl who was afraid of the dark  Can’t you sleep little Bear? | Look for leafless canopies  Make baked potatoes  Star projector  Contrasting black and white resources  Explore light sources  How does dark make you feel? |
| Winter | Pick a Pine Tree |  | Jackson Pollock – splat and drizzle pictures | Over and Under the Snow by Kate Messner  Winter Sleep: A Hibernation Story by Sean Taylor  Robin's Winter Song Paperback by Suzanne Barton  One Snowy Night by Nick Butterworth | Set up Winter nature shelf  Explore the curiosity picture.  Show the children this picture and ask them what it shows? What do they know already about this time of the year? What has happened in this photograph? How do they think the ice will melt? What sort of clothes do you need to wear in the winter? Will the trees grow more leaves? What happens to the animals? |
| Winter Trees | The Christmas Eve Tree | Tree: Seasons come seasons go  Pick a Pine Tree  Stickman  Little Tree  Winter by Gerda Muller | Go on a signs of winter walk  Collect the textures you discover outdoors  Take a cutting from a leafy perennial, Place in water and observe the changes  Take imprints on playdough  Study evergreen trees  Small world winter scene  Explore leaf skeletons on the light panel |
| Spring 1 | Snow and ice | One snowy night | Value  Identity  Dreams | Snowballs by Lois Earhart  Snow in the Garden  The Story of Snow  White snow, bright snow  Walking in a winter wonderland | Go on a silent nature walk  Look after birds – make feeders  Snowflakes loose parts provocation  Create snow lanterns |
| Robins | Robin’s Winter Song | That’s not my Robin  Little Lost Robin  Birdhouse  That’s not my Robin | Look for birds nests  Berry snacks – bird favourite food  Bird watch by the window  Feathers and twigs in the malleable area  Bird small world provocation  Red exploration  Build bird boxes |
| Moss | The Wish Tree by Kao Maclear | Nature Anatomy by Julia Rothman Mossy by Jan Bret  Look what I found in the woods | Go on a frosty walk and watch as feet leave a trail in the grass  Set up a cosy reading den  Create a terrarium  Pour water on moss and observe  Create a mossy fairy garden  Moss pattern painting – ie moss between bricks  Make a wish tree |
| Northern Lights | Aurora: A tale of the Northern Lights | Maybe by Kobi Yamanda  A search for the Northern Lights  The Northern Lights: Celestial Performances of the Aurora Borealis  The Polar Bears Gift | Watch videos of the northern lights  Polar small world  Create a northern lights dance using blue and green ribbons  Black paper, blue and green paint and range of brushes to create northern lights images  Fire and Ice festival |
| Rocks and Mud | A rock is lively | Rocks and Minerals Find Adventure! Be a rock detective! Have fun outdoors!  If rocks could sing  Can I play in the mud?  Beautiful Hands  Dirt + Water = Mud | Go on a muddy walk  Mud painting station  Create own mud recipe book  Create a mud digging pit  Add mud and real bricks to the outdoor construction area and explore how we can build with mud |
| Spring 2 | Rain | The rhythm of the rain | Stewardship  Care  Respect  Wealth | Claude Monet | Once Upon A Raindrop  A River | Use this picture as a starting point to find out what your children know already about the Spring? Here are some prompts to help with your sustained shared thinking together. Show the children this picture and ask them what it shows? What do they know already about this time of the year? What sort of clothes do you need to wear in the spring? How might we get a rainbow?    Collect rain  Listen for sounds of spring  Explore dry/wet places |
| Nests | A nest is noisy |  | Bird Builds a Nest  All kinds of nests | Make nests  Explore eggs  Bird lifecycle  Nests explolration |
| Beetles | A beetle is shy | Big Book of Bugs  First Big Book Of Bugs | Beetle anatomy  Loose parts dough  Bug hotels |
| Beans | Jack and the Beanstalk | Jaspers Beanstalk | Plant a bean in a clear jar and observe the changes  Beanstalk small world |
| Seeds | The Tiny Seed – Eric Carle | Seeds Move  Up in the Garden, Down in the Dirt  A seed is sleepy | Seed sorting  Seed planting  Seed Cycle  Flower playdough |
| The World Beyond Me – Foundation 2 | Summer 1 | Bees | The Bumblebear | Transformation | Georgia O’Keefe | The Bee Book  Bee: Nature’s Tiny Miracle  Explore my world: honey bees  Why do we need bees? | Nature walk, generate questions.  Bee provocation on Nature shelf  Bees, petals, small world figures in dough  Hexagonal loose parts  Plant sweet peas  Make honey sandwiches, picnic |
| Herbs | Up in the Garden, down in the dirt | Foraging with kids | Make rosehip jam and own bread  Walk and look for all the different flowers  Create a herb garden  Explore different herbs  Herbs in dough  Explore with senses  Make herbal tea |
| Sunshine and shadows | Katie and the Sunflowers | Sun: One in a Billion | Make some dandelion honey  Take a walk and look for yellow  Explore shadows  Puppet show  Explore reflection  Make suncatchers |
| Wind | Feel the wind | Clouds  Rosie’s Hat  Washing line | Make Pitta bread pizzas  Take a walk and feel the wind  Collect fallen nature  Explore wind on nature walks  Wind power  Bubbles  Wind chimes |
| Caterpillars | The Very Hungry Caterpillar | A Butterfly is Patient | Observe the lifecycle of butterfly  Explore symmetry |
| Storms | The Storm Whale | Thunder Cake  The Storm | Make thunder cakes  Watch video of storms  Read Noahs Ark  Collect rain  Make own storm clouds  Stormy beach small world  Stormy weather playdough |
| Summer 2 | Grasses | We’re Going on a Bear Hunt |  | Nature Anatomy  A Garden of Ordinary Miracles | Cereal station  Explore origins of cereals  Walk through long grass  Grow own grass from seeds  Learn about animals that eat grasses – savannah  Snip grass with scissors |
| Clouds | Little Cloud | Warm Weather  Rhythm of the Rain | Walk and record the clouds  Collect rainwater  Weather nature shelf  Add glass beads, cotton wool, felt, pearls, pom poms to loose parts station  Make own cloud dough  Clouds in a jar experiment |
| Streams | A River | Under the same sky | Tin foil rivers  River journeys  Water exploration  Moving water |
| Meadows | What’s That Flower? | How to be a Wildflower | Go on a walk and create journey sticks  Painting in nature with watercolours  Make wildflowers from clay  Garden centre role play  Pressed flower scrap books |
| Fossils | A Rock is Lively | Swirl by Swirl  Nature trails: Rocks and Fossils | Make rocky road and enjoy it on a picnic  Go rock collecting and create a rock library  Rocks provocation  Dinosaur small world  Palaeontology role play |
| Beach | The Coral Kingdom | The proudest blue  What the ladybird heard at the seaside  Only one you | Visit a beach to observe nature  Beach discovery table  Beach playdough enhancements  Add sand into powder paint and create beach pictures.  Project images of the beach and play sounds of the sea.  Beach hunt |