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	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Understands the difference between past and	Compare and contract characters from stories, including figures from the past. Talks about significant historical events and how	ELG Past and Present Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.
and Present	present and is building up knowledge of key historical events through topics, stories and community events, e.g. Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day.	things were different in the past.	ELG Past and Present Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
Past			ELG Past and Present Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.
Se	Talk about members of their immediate family and community.	Understand that some places are special to members of their community.	ELG People, Culture and Communities Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion,
Communities	Name and describe people who are familiar to them.	Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate different times in different ways.	stories, non-fiction texts and maps.
Culture and Com	Listens carefully to stories about different places and is beginning to recognise that different places have different features, e.g. recognising the difference between life in this country and other countries.	Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this county and life in other countries. Has a wider understanding of the wider world and	ELG People, Culture and Communities Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
People, Cu	Knows about some celebrations and is able to talk about how they might be celebrated, e.g. Christmas, Advent, Diwali	draws comparisons between own local environment/community and other places. Looks at, and makes maps, of local environment. Describes a journey within the local environment.	ELG People, Culture and Communities Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, nonfiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.

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		Draw information from a simple map.	Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst	ELG The Natural World
The Natural World			outside.	Explore the natural world around them, making
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			Understand the effect of changing seasons on the	and plants.
	0	Describes some features of plants and animals	natural world around them.	FLO The Network World
	orl	and identifies when things are the same and different.	December 2011	ELG The Natural World
	\geq	different.	Recognise some environments that are different	Know some similarities and differences between
	ral	Notices, observes and talks about seasonal changes.	to the one in which they live.	the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and
	atu		Has a good general knowledge about living things	what has been read in class.
	_	•	and the natural world and can describe features of	What has been read in class.
	Гће		different plants and animals recognising when they	ELG The Natural World
			are the same and different.	Understand some important processes and
				changes in the natural world around them,
			Understands and uses some language related to	including the seasons and changing states of
			animals, e.g. camouflage, predator, nocturnal, diurnal.	matter.
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