

Childwall CE Primary School

SPECIFIC AREA Understanding the world	Past and Present	People, Culture and Communities	The Natural World
3 and 4 Year olds	Begin to make sense of their own life- story and family's history.	 Show interest in different occupations. Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people. Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos 	 Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials. Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties. Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary. Explore how things work. Plant seeds and care for growing plants. Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal. Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Explore and talk about different forces they can feel (Suggestions: • how the water pushes up when they try to push a plastic boat under it • how they can stretch elastic, snap a twig, but cannot bend a metal rod • magnetic attraction and repulsion) Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice
Reception	 Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past 	 Talk about members of their immediate family and community Draw information from a simple map. Understand that some places are special to members of their community Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries 	 Explore the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live (different environments/habitats) Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.
Early Learning Goal	 Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society; Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class; Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling. 	 Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps; 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; Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps. 	 Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants; 15 Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class; Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.