Ashton Gate Primary School EYFS Skills Progression

Each child is unique and progresses differently over their time in EYFS. This document helps to explain the focus for the development of skills for many of our children, however staff in Reception at Ashton Gate are aware of the different rates at which children develop and adjust their practice appropriately over the terms. Thorough, ongoing assessment feeds into planning and ensures that all children make progress from their starting points.

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Listening, Attention & Understanding	Can correctly use positional language, such as under, on top and behind. Can respond to two step instructions. Can understand why listening is important.	Can take part in story times, joining in with repeated phrases and actions. Can start to understand why and how questions. Can begin to retell a story.	Can begin to understand how humour is used. Can understand a range of different sentence structures. Can begin to understand and respond to the ideas of others.	Can retell a story with increased confidence. Can understand the ideas of others. Can follow a story without pictures or props.	Can understand questions such as who, why, when, where and how?	Can hold conversations and back and forth exchanges with adults and peers. Can ask relevant questions such as who, why, when, where and how?	 Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Hold conversation when engaged in back- and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.
Speaking	Can retell a simple past event. Can begin to talk in front of a small group. Can convey meaning in their expressive language through gesture, intonation, rhythm & phrasing.	Can use new vocabulary learnt in school. Can begin to talk in front of larger groups of children. Can more speak confidently to adults they are less familiar with in school.	Can talk in sentences using conjunctions. Can usually stick to a main theme and intention in their expressive language. Can introduce storyline and narrative into their play.	Can use new vocabulary in different contexts in their daily life. Can stick to a main theme and intention in their expressive language.	Can use talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events. Can talk about why things happen.	Can use a range of tenses in talk. Can use language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences.	 -Participate in small group, class and one-to- one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.

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Self-regulation	Can recognise	Can begin to talk	Can talk about	Can identify and	Can usually	Can talk about	-Show an understanding of their own
0	different	about how they	how they are	usually	control their	how they control	feelings and those of others, and begin to
	emotions.	are feeling.	feeling.	moderate their	emotions using a	their emotions	regulate their behaviour accordingly. - Set and work towards simple goals, being
			0	own feelings	range of	and feelings and	able to wait for what they want and contro
	Can understand	Can begin to	To consider the	socially and	techniques.	begin to help	their immediate impulses when appropriat
	how people	consider the	feelings and	emotionally	,	others.	- Give focused attention to what the teach
	show emotions.	feelings of	needs of others.	,	Can listen and		says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to
		others.		Can begin to	respond to	Can respond to	follow instructions involving several ideas of
	Can show		Can show	wait for what	adults, even	multi step	actions.
	appropriate	Can usually	appropriate	they want.	when focused.	instructions	
	focus over short	adapt behave to	focus during			when focused on	
	periods of time	a range of	longer, whole	Can usually		an activity.	
	in small groups.	situations.	class sessions.	share and take		,	
	0.000			turns.			
Managing Self	Can begin to feel	Can understand	Can begin to	Can show	Can deal with	Can show	-Be confident to try new activities and show
	comfortable in	perseverance	show resilience	developing	new challenges	growth mindset	independence, resilience and perseverance
	school and	using the	and	confidence with	in their learning.	about their	in the face of challenge.
	explore the	example of the	perseverance in	new	0	learning.	 Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.
	Reception	ELLI animal - the	the face of	experiences.	Can show some		- Manage their own basic hygiene and
	environment.	tortoise.	challenge.		evidence of their	Can show	personal needs, including dressing, going to
			0	Can talk to	understanding of	understanding of	the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.
	Can follow rules	Can understand	Can understand	adults about	right and wrong	right, wrong and	of healthy food choices.
	introduced	the need to have	how to keep	what is right and	in their	rules	
	during	rules at school.	themselves safe	wrong.	interactions with	appropriate for	
	transition.		in different	0	peers.	the transition to	
		can put shoes	situations.	Can understand		year 1.	
	Can wash hands,	and wellies on		why they need	Can have		
	go to the toilet	by themselves.	Can put PE kit	to look after	increasing	Can put uniform	
	and put coat on		independently.	their property.	confidence with	on and manage	
	independently.				zips and buttons.	zips and buttons	
						with minimal	
						support.	
Building	Can go to adults	Can play with	Can work well in	Can usually	Can play	Can form strong	-Work and play cooperatively and take turn
Relationships	for support	children who are	a group with a	share and take	independently	bonds with	with others.
	when needed.	playing with the	little support.	turns.	with a group of	children and	- Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers.
		same activity.			children.	adults who are	- Show sensitivity to their own and to other
	Can show		Can begin to	Can usually		important to	needs.
	increasing	Can begin to	show strategies	listen to the	Can talk to their	them.	
	confidence to	develop	for turn taking.	ideas of others	friends about		
	speak to adults	friendships.		without the	their feelings.	Can begin to	
	and peers,					form new	

usually about	Can have	support of an	positive	
things they	appropriate,	adult.	relationships	
enjoy.	positive		with staff in year	
	relationships	Can talk about	1.	
	with adults at	their friendships		
	school.	and what makes		
		a good friend.		

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Gross Motor	imary School Skills Pro Term 1 Can begin to move safely in and around a space Can stop safely and not run into obstacles	Term 2 Can move safely in and around a space Can begin to show balancing skills Can use climbing apparatus safely	Term 3 Can move around a space in a variety of ways (hopping, skipping, jumping) Can show strength and balance in gymnastics and	Term 4 Can create a short sequence using gymnastics or dance Can jump and land appropriately and safely (PE and forest school)	Term 5 Can copy dance moves and use them in conjunction with music Can show increased skill in moving around areas and apparatus	Term 6 Can organise small ball games and challenges using kicking catching, throwing) Can show increased skill and independence in	ELG -Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others - Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing. - Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.
		Can begin to respond and copy body instructions (crossing mid line, body shapes, core strength)	in play. Can show gymnastics shapes appropriately Can begin to access ball games, showing skills like kicking, throwing and catching	Can use climbing apparatus safely with increased challenge Can respond and copy body instructions (crossing mid line, body shapes, core strength)	Can use balls appropriately and safely (throwing, kicking, catching) Can hit a ball using a racket or bat.	sing techniques learnt in sport (Athletics for sports day)	
ine Motor	Can begin to use a dominant hand. Can make marks, using different shapes. Can begin to use the tripod grip	Can start to use anticlockwise movements and retrace vertical lines. Can draw lines, circles and shapes with increasing	Can cut along a curved or wavy line with scissors. Can thread small beads and use tweezers and pegs with increased	Can use scissors to cut out large shapes. Can write taught letters with correct formation and begin to have control over the	Can use scissors effectively to cut out small shapes. To use a range of tools with confidence.	Can use scissors effectively with a range of materials. Can write most letters with correct formation and increasing	 -Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing Using the tripod grip in almost all cases; Use a range of small tools, including scisso paint brushes and cutlery Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.
	whilst marking. Can begin to copy some letters.	accuracy in their drawings. Can use the tripod grip when mark making.	accuracy. Can usually write taught letters with correct formation.	size of the letters. Can usually use anticlockwise movements and		control over the size of the letters. Can create drawings with	

	Can hold scissors			retrace vertical	increased detail	
	correctly and	Can usually write	Can usually use a	lines.	and care.	
:	safely and snip	taught letters	knife and fork to			
,	with them.	with correct	cut food		Can	
		formation.	independently.		independently	
	Can hold and use				and effectively	
	a fork and spoon	Can use scissors			use cutlery to	
	appropriately.	to cut straight,			eat a range of	
		zig-zag lines.			meals.	
		To hold a knife and fork and begin to use appropriately.				

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Ashton Gate Prim	Term 1 Can independently look at a book, turning the pages and holding it the correct way. Can use pictures in a book to retell stories. Can retell something that has happened to them. Can take part in a Helicopter		Term 3 Can begin to predict what might happen next in a story. Can suggest how a story might end. To confidently act out in Helicopter Stories. Can more confidently answer simple questions about what they have read.	Can retell a story. Can tell a story in Helicopter stories, joining in with acting it out. Can talk about characters and setting in a story. Can begin to use new vocabulary in different contexts in their lives.	Term 5 Can express preferences about books they have read – talking about what they liked and disliked. Can increasingly use vocabulary that is influenced by their experience of books. To begin to understand that information can be retrieved from books.	Term 6 Can answer a range of questions about what they have read, giving their opinion. Can express preferences for what they have read, giving reasons. Can sequence stories they have read, using vocabulary influenced by stories.	ELG -Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary. - Anticipate – where appropriate – key events in stories. - Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about storie non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play.
	Stories session, understanding the rules. Can begin to sequence a familiar event.	Can begin to use some vocabulary influenced by stories they have heard. Can act in a Helicopter Stories session, showing understanding of	read. Begin to use language	Can follow a story without pictures and props.	from books.	Can confidently use vocabulary influenced by stories in their roleplay.	
Word Reading	Can link graphemes to phonemes for s a t p I n m d g o c k ck e u r h b f I Can read and write tricky words is I the	the story. Can link graphemes to phonemes for ff Il ss j v w x y z zz qu ch sh th ng nk Can read and write tricky words put pull full as and has	Can link graphemes to phonemes for ai ee igh oa oo oo ar or ur ow oi ear air er dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff Can read and write tricky	Can begin to apply knowledge of all previously taught GPCs Can apply all previously learnt tricky words.	Can apply knowledge of all previously taught GPCs Can read and write tricky words said so have like some come love do	Can apply knowledge of all previously taught GPCs Can apply all previously learnt tricky words.	-Say a sound for each letter in the alphabe and at least 10 digraphs. - Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending. - Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.

		his her no go to into she push he of we me be Can add s to the end of words.	words was you they my by all are sure pure	Can add ing and es to the end of a word Can read and write words with s in the middle Can read and write compound words	were here little says there when what one out today Can read and write CVCC, CVCC, CCVC, CCVCC, CCVC and CCCVCC words. Can read and write root words ending in ing, ed, t, id, est.	Can apply all previously learnt knowledge to independently read a range of words.	
Writing	Can engage in Fine Motor development activities Can begin to use a tripod Pencil grip. Can show an understanding that marks can be made for a purpose and in play. Can show suitable writing position at table and begin to use a dominant hand. Can begin to write own name.	Can write own name Can begin to correctly form the taught letters Can give meaning to the marks they make Can use a tripod grip and show preference for a dominant hand Can begin to write cvc captions. Can begin to use finger spaces between each word	Can mostly form lower case letters using formation families (Ladder, caterpillar, robot, monster) to support Can write words and letters with meaning and sometimes a context Can write short words using the sounds they know. Can write some remembering words	Can form all lower-case letters correctly Can mostly write letters that are correctly sized and sat on the line Can use finger spaces between each word Can begin to check own work and self-correct formation mistakes Can begin to write short meaningful sentences using taught sounds and with some support	Can form all letters correctly Can write with finger spaces, letters correctly sized and on the line. Can check own work and self- correct. Can write short sentences (1 or 2) that have a full stop. Begin to use capital letters at the start of a sentence. Can correctly spell remembering words in their writing	Can write independently and follow all rules set out in the previous terms. can use capital letters at the start of a sentence I can attempt to write remembering words from phase 2,3 and 4.	 -Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed - Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters. - Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

	Can know that	
	full stops are	
	needed at the	
	end of a	
	sentence.	

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Number	Can begin to subitise numbers 0-5 Can understand cardinality of 0-3 Can use and apply learning from numberblocks	Can subitise numbers 0-5 Can understand the cardinality and pattern of numbers 0-5 Can understand sequence and order of numbers 0-5	Can confidently subitise and show value for 0- 5 in a range of situations Can use a five frame to begin to see smaller numbers within a number. Can make marks and use objects to show composition of numbers 0-5	Can begin to subitise numbers 0-10 Can begin to understand and apply the cardinality and composition of 0-10 Can find numbers within the number 10 and can add and subtract using this knowledge	Can subitise numbers 0-10 Can understand, apply and explore the cardinality and composition of 0-10. Can begin to use a tens frame to explore numbers 0-10 Can subitise structured and unstructured patterns	Can independently subitise all numbers 0-10 Can show understanding of cardinality and composition of 0-10 in their work and play. Can use a tens frame to explore numbers up to 10	 -Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number. - Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5. - Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.
Numerical Pattern	Can count up numbers 0-5 and know how many it is Can begin to count to 10 verbally and using fingers	Can count up different amounts of objects that both can and cannot be moved Can compare 2 amounts and say which is more and fewer	Can begin to count up to 20 Can confidently count amounts of objects up to 10 using s range of counting strategies.	Can count to 20 with confidence and a range of strategies. Can understand counting patterns and symmetrical patterns in doubling	Can count forwards and back to 20 and can practise starting at different points.	Can count to 20 in a range of situations and using a range of strategies.	 -Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system. - Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity. - Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.
Shape, Space and Measure	Can match and sort object according to their properties and come up with their own reasons. Can begin to compare and	Can demonstrate a basic understanding of spatial awareness. Can sequence events in their daily life – for	To confidently continue a range of repeating patterns, including making up their own. can understand that the passing of time can be	Can talk about a typical day, sequencing events appropriately. To be able to sequence the days of the week.	Can use mathematical vocabulary to describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. Can use non- standard units to	Can understand the purpose of money – recognising coins and understanding about how change is given.	Although there is no ELG directly related to Space, Shape and Measure, children will have a range of rich opportunities to develop skills in this area.

order by capacity, length, height and size. Can continue a simple repeating pattern, with 1 / 2 repeats. Can use simple mathematical vocabulary to	example waking up or going to bed.	measured using sand timers, stopwatches etc.	Can confidently to compare and order by capacity, length, height and size, using appropriate mathematical language.	measure and compare objects. Can demonstrate an increased understanding of spatial awareness. To show some understanding of	Can show an awareness of standard units of measure. Can name some 2D and 3D shapes. Can confidently talk about events in the	
describes shapes. Can name simple 2D shapes. Can sequence simple events in their day.				the patten of seasons and months of the year.	past, present and future – showing an awareness of the progress of time.	

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Past and Present	Can talk about	Can talk about	Can talk about	Can understand	Can ask	Can talk	-Talk about the lives of the people around
	themselves and	special events in	the lives of those	that events in	questions about	confidently	them and their roles in society.
	their families	their past.	in their	their family in	what the world	about events in	 Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing
	(Me now)		community and	the world	was like before	the past,	on their experiences and what has been read
	(Can talk about	their roles in	happened	they were born,	referring to	in class.
	(Ourselves, show	how they have	society.	before they	referring to	books and their	- Understand the past through settings,
	and tell)	grown and		were born.	stories	own personal	characters and events encountered in books
		changed	(me now)			history.	read in class and storytelling.
		0.101.800	(Can respond to	(before me)		
		(Past me)	Can talk about	stories, noticing	(before me)	Can show	
		(i use me)	what job they	how daily life	Can use an	interest in	
		(all about me	would like to do	might have been	increasing range	chronology and	
		box, show and	when they are	different in the	of vocabulary to	begin to have a	
		tell)	older.	past	talk about past,	sense of how	
		teny	older.	pust	present and	long-ago things	
			(Future me).	(before me)	future.	happened (e.g.	
			(ruture me).	(bejore me)	lucure.	grandparents	
			Can enjoy stories		(I Wonder Why)	were more	
			set in the past		(i wonder wity)	recent than	
			and non-fiction			Vikings/dinosaur	
						-	
			about the past.			s).	
			(before me)			(Past me, Before	
			Jobs People Do			me)	
						Can talk about	
						change and the	
						future with	
						reference to the	
						transition to	
						Year 1.	
						(Future me)	
People, Culture	Can talk about	Can understand	Can talk about	Can talk about	Can talk about	Can confidently	- Describe their immediate environment
and	their family and	that people have	and understand	how Easter is	how Eid is	talk about their	using knowledge from observation,
Communities	who is part of it.	different beliefs,	the jobs and	celebrated in	celebrated in	local	discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and
		opinions and	roles people	Christianity.	Islam.	environment	maps. - Know some similarities and differences
	Can talk about	faiths.	have that	- /		around them	between different religious and cultural
	what makes		support us in	Can respond to	Can understand	through	communities in this country, drawing on
	themselves and	Can talk about	society.	fiction and non-	why maps are	discussion,	their experiences and what has been read in
	their friends	how Diwali is		fiction,	used and some	stories and non-	class. - Explain some similarities and differences
	special.	celebrated in		discussing the	of the different	fiction.	between life in this country and life in other

	Can talk about the immediate environment of their school, home and community.	Hinduism, Christmas in Christianity and Hanuka in Judaism. Can talk about the journey to the park and what they noticed/are familiar with.	Can talk about how Lunar New Year is celebrated. Can talk about how there are different countries and places in in the world. Can talk about the journey to the park with increasing recall of landmarks and what they saw.	roles and beliefs of characters and people around the world. Can compare and contrast different places in the world, with reference to fiction, non- fiction and internet research.	forms they can take. Can create their own map of the park and of the journey to the park. Can understand that people have a responsibility to their community and planet.	Can confidently discuss some similarities between different religious and cultural communities. Can confidently talk about similarities and differences between life in this country and other countries through discussion, stories and non- fiction	countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps.
The Natural World	Can begin to understand seasons autumn Can observe the plants outside and consider what is happening	Can understand seasons Autumn Can draw the plants around us Can understand jobs that protect our world	Can begin to understand seasons Winter Can show interest in our planet and what inhabits it. Can compare different habitats	Can understand seasons Winter and spring Can explain and help to protect nature Can understand how different parts of the world have different ecosystems, weather, plants and animals.	Can understand seasons Spring and summer Can recycle and understand how we conserve our planet Can experiment basic changes of state (both reversible and irreversible	fiction. Can explain the cycle of the 4 seasons Can explain how we grow in or world Can explore changes in matter through cooking	 -Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants. - 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.
Technology	Can begin to use simple programs on the computer	Can use simple programs on the computer	Can understand what the term online safety means	Can use an iPad successfully in a range of tasks	Can use Beebots to make simple programming paths	Can use electronic equipment successfully.	Although there is not ELG that relates to technology objectives, children will have a wide range of opportunities to experience technology and develop their skills in this area.

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Creating With	Can make marks	Can make things	Can design	Can create art	Can draw a self-	Can design and	-Safely use and explore a variety of
Materials	on paper that	using collage and	inventions that	based on the	portrait	complete	materials, tools and techniques,
	has meaning	materials	will help the	work of Esther	independently	artwork based	experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.
			world (both	Mahlangu	that represents	on an artist of	- Share their creations, explaining the
	Can draw a basic	Can take part in	sketch and 3D		them	choice	process they have used.
	self-portrait with	observational	junk modelling)	Can design	appropriately		- Make use of props and materials when role
	support	drawing and	from the story	outfits, masks		Can compare	playing characters in narratives and stories.
		painting.	Jabari tries	and props for	Can explore	and review	
	Can make nature			their role play	processes and	artwork	
	art based on the		Can draw a self-	using a variety of	colour mixing in		
	work of James		portrait with	materials and	their painting		
	Brunt		more detail with	processes.			
			support.	F	Can confidently		
	Can begin to use			Can sketch	use a range of		
	a range of tools		Can use a range	animals and	tools create their		
	create their art		of tools create	repeat the	art work and		
	work and		their art work	process with	modelling		
	modelling		and modelling	peer feedback	inoucini _b		
				for			
				improvement.			
Being	Can join in with	Can take part in	Can join in with	Can join in with	Can show their	Can join in with	-Invent, adapt and recount narratives and
Imaginative and	refrains and	our nativity	songs with call	music from	understanding of	Poetry Basket	stories with peers and their teacher.
Expressive	nursery	performance	and recall	another Country	rhythm, tone,	rhymes and	 Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.
	rhymes/poetry	•			tempo and	refrains.	- Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories
	basket.	Can visit the	Can work	Can join in with a	volume		with others, and – when appropriate try to
		music room and	together to play	class dance to		Can compose	move in time with music.
	Can explore	try out new	games with tole	music	Can use loose	their own songs	
	instruments in	instruments	play in it.		parts in an	and instrumental	
	their play.				imaginative way	pieces and	
		Can work to a	Can confidently		with peers.	perform them to	
	Can dress up and	main them in	join in with		-	others.	
	join in with role	their role play	helicopter				
	play.	alongside peers	stories			Can take part in	
	[imaginative play	
						with a shared	
						narrative and	
						theme, using	
						appropriate	
						vocabulary and	
						negotiating with	
	1	1				others.	