

Whinless Down Academy EYFS Planning

Topics are a broad plan for the adult directed teaching that place each term. Our planning is flexible and fluid in order to follow the children's interests and meet individual children's needs.

TOPIC:	How Can I Make	it?	TERM:	2	
FOCUS TEXT:	Whatever Next! Jill Murphy		HOOK:	Big range of construction materials for children to make whatever they want with e.g. junk modelling, construction etc. Or have the same objects from the text and see what they make.	
THE BIG PICTURE:	Through playing and exploring children learn to construct with a purpose. They develop the use of a range of materials and tools and can begin to use them in different and unusual ways. Communication and language lies at the heart of the learning, talking, or maybe even recording, what they are going to make, sharing resources with their peers as well as beginning to evaluate how successful they have been.				
MATHS:		LITERACY:			
Understand positional language through words alone.		Listening carefully to positions, add a sticker to the correct place on a picture.	Use print and early writing.	letter knowledge in	Labelling pictures from our key text, Whatever Next! Writing graphemes to match the
Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.		Using Aliens Love Underpants as a stimulus, make some patterned pants for the aliens.			phonemes that we can hear in colour names, linked to 'The Day The Crayons Quit.'
Talk about and explore 2D shapes.		Using everyday objects to talk about and explore the properties of 2D shapes.			Matching phonemes to graphemes to record key words in Christmas card messages.
Use number for purpose.		Creating a class calendar, begin to countdown the days to Christmas.			

Compare weight.	Exploring the weight of different sized Christmas presents and using the correct language to describe them.	Enjoy listening to stories and can remember much of what happens.	Discussing the key events in the story of Elmer, making marks that resemble the story retelling.	
		Form letters correctly.	Create Christmas lists by labelling pictures with their matching graphemes.	
EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN		UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD		
Explore materials freely to develop ideas about how to use them and what to make.	Exploring different materials to construct a vehicle to take us to space.	Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.	Autumn walk around the school noticing differences and changes.	
	Create their own repeating pattern jewellery. Create a design for a Christmas card to send to our families.	Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice.	After enjoying listening to 'The Day The Crayons Quit' explore the changes made when melting wax crayons, mixing colours to make new coloured crayons.	
	Design, make and create a range of Christmas crafts.	Make links to the people around them and their role in society.	Linking to The Jolly Christmas Postman, take a look at the role of a post person.	
Watch and talk about dance and performances. Sing in a group.	Prepare a song to perform live to our friends at the other schools within the academy and watch their performances.	Explore the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Understand the effect of changing	Exploring the changes as autumn turns to winter. Exploring ice and snow and how it changes over time.	
Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing in groups.	Practise and perform a Christmas Nativity.	seasons.		
			RE – Why are we special? Who is special at home? Who is special at	

			school? Who is special at Christmas time? The special festival for Jewish people called Hanukkah.		
TRIPS & VISITORS		VOCABULARY	VOCABULARY		
Visit the post box to send our families Christmas cards.		Where? Can Moon Early one morning Celebration Construct Create Build Travel Christmas	Can Moon Early one morning Celebration Construct Create Build Travel		
OTHER TEXTS	Peace at Last, Jill Murphy The Three Little Pigs Elmer, David McKee The Jolly Postman, Janet and Allan Ahlberg The Christmas Story The Day The Crayons Quit, Oliver Jeffers Aliens Love Underpants	CELEBRATIONS	Hanukkah 28/11 Christmas Remembrance Day Bonfire Night Halloween		