

Reception/Robins Class Overview 2026-27

Area of Learning	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic	Myself Autumn	Festivals Autumn/Winter	Our Community Superheroes/Real life Superheroes – People Who Help Us Superheroes of the past Chinese New Year	Spring Easter/New Life	Life Cycles Growing	Holidays/Water
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Me and My Relationships – All About Me Kindness and Caring Personal Hygiene: ongoing Physical Exercise: ongoing	Health and Wellbeing Healthy Lifestyles Healthy Teeth Friends & Kindness	Me and My Relationships My Special People Keeping Myself Safe - People who Help Keep me Safe	Friends & Kindness Growing & Changing - Changes	Being my Best: Healthy eating Listening to my Feelings	Keeping Myself Safe- sun and water safety Growing and Changing - Our Bodies
Communication and Language	Read, Write, Inc Listening carefully Listen, respond and retell stories/non fiction Learn rhymes, poems and songs Asking questions and articulating ideas Using talk to connect ideas, solve problem and organise activities Social language e.g. Good morning and manners Describing events Circle Time/Show and Tell Taking turns to talk Vocabulary Development Grammar Development NELI Programme Drawing Club Performances – Harvest, Nativity					
Physical Development	Spatial Awareness Core Skills Playing through Games Locomotion – Walking Trikes/Scooters Fine Motor Activities Pencil Control Dough Disco	Core Skills Gymnastics - Moving Ball Skills – Hands 1 Fine Motor Activities Pencil Control Using scissors Coat Fastenings – Zips and Buttons	Dance – Nursery Rhymes Ball Skills-Feet Core skills Fine Motor Activities Pencil Control Using scissors Coat Fastenings – Zips and Buttons	Dance – Ourselves Ball Skills –Hands 2 Core Skills Fine Motor Activities Pencil Control Using scissors Coat Fastenings – Zips and Buttons	Core Skills Locomotion– Jumping 1 Ball Skills – Rackets, Bats, Balls and Balloons Trikes/Bikes Scooters Trim Trail Fine Motor Activities Pencil Control Using scissors	Sports Day Gymnastics – High, Low, Over, Under Games Skills and Understanding Core Skills Trikes Bikes Scooters Trim Trail Fine Motor Control Pencil Control Using Scissors

Literacy	Follow RWI Programme Enjoyment of stories Writing for a purpose: lists, labels, cards etc.. Name Writing Handwriting – focus on correct formation of letters Writing opportunities in continuous provision Drawing Club Message Centre		
Mathematics	NCETM Mastering Number Programme Baseline Counting Rhymes Subitise within 3 Subitise objects and sounds. Counting skills – object counting, match numerals to quantities within 10, verbal counting beyond 20. Composition of 3,4 and 5. Explore 'whole' and 'part'. Noticing and visualising – match, flip and turn 'parts' and 'wholes'. Compare sets – use language <i>more than, fewer than, equal number</i>. Develop spatial understanding, using prepositional language and gestures.	NCETM Mastering Number Programme Subitise within 5, focusing on die patterns. Composition of 5. Composition of 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit'. Doubles – explore how some numbers can be made with 2 equal parts. Sort numbers into odd and even. Counting – focus on ordinality and the 'staircase' pattern. See that each number is '1 more' than the previous number. Order numbers to 8. Use language - <i>less than</i>. Compare sets. Use language <i>more than, fewer than, equal number</i>. Make unequal sets equal. Compose 3D constructions. Explore difference and equivalence. Sort and classify 2D shapes. Compose pictures with shapes.	NCETM Mastering Number Programme Patterns – focus on copying, continuing and creating. Counting – focus on larger sets and things that cannot be seen. Count beyond 20. Subitise to 5 – introduce the rekenrek. Develop conceptual subitising skills. Subitise to 6, including structured arrangements. Composition of 10. Comparison – linked to ordinality. Play track games. Generalise about '1 more than' and '1 less than' numbers to 10. Measure – compare lengths, heights and mass and use comparative language to describe these. Automatic recall of bonds to 5. Review and Assess

Understanding the World	Stories from around the world (on-going) Exploring the environment Autumn and Harvest News All About me book Exploring our senses Exploring belonging including baptism Trip to St Matthew's Church - Harvest	Autumn - changing to Winter Hibernation Story Maps Diwali Bonfire Night The story of Guy Fawkes Christmas and why it is special to Christians	Chinese New Year World Map (on going) Winter Birdwatch and learn about migration. Stories from cold places Freezing and Melting Magnets Learn about reflective materials – how they keep us safe. Our Community People Who Help Us Real life Superheroes of the Past – Florence Nightingale Internet Safety Explore why God is important to Christians	Growing Signs of Spring New life, new growth Life-cycles Tadpoles Old Toys including Photographs and Artefacts Mother's Day Easter What special times do people celebrate and why are they important?	Changes in the weather Life Cycles Chicks Pond dipping Bug hunting Where does food come from? Stories from Africa – Handa's Surprise What special stories are important to people? Why? Noah's Ark Jonah and the Whale	Around the World Where we are going on holiday? Continents and Oceans Stories from the jungle Contrasting environments – jungle/desert Seaside holidays of the past Floating/sinking Investigating shadows. Shells and seaside habitat Holi Special Places
Expressive Art and Design	Introduction of Construction Sets and Craft Area Painting Fruit/vegetable printing Portraits Collage Bread Making Food Art Design and make a bridge for the 3 Billy Goats Gruff Singing/Instruments Harvest Performance Role Play – Home Corner	Nature Art Leaf printing/rubbing Firework pictures using paint and glitter. Winter Collages Christmas Cards/Calendars, printing Christmas DT project Food Art Design and make a boat for the Gingerbread Man using construction materials Singing/Instruments Nativity Play Role Play – Home corner including artefacts from the past and Elves Christmas Workshop	Shape pictures Colour mixing Making Chinese Dragon, collaborative and junk modelling, Chinese banners and lanterns. Andy Warhol – superhero pop art Moving to music Singing/instruments Chinese Dragon Dancing Performance Role Play – Superhero Headquarters and People Who Help Us Role Play, Doctors, Vets, Police, Firefighters	Teach children joining with tape and glue - Junk Modelling Observational Drawing Mother's Day cards Easter craft Moving to music Singing/instruments Singing Songs on the carpet performing to the class Easter Songs Make Easter Bonnets for parade Role Play – Garden Centre	Colour Monster paintings linked to PSED Observational art, pastels/painting, teach colour mixing to match colours they see. Designing and Making fruit smoothies Arcimboldo fruit and veggie portraits Moving to music Singing/instruments Chick Dance, Butterfly Dance. Role Play – Minibeast Cafe	Rainbow Fish Art – wax resist wash Bubble painting Watercolours Observational drawings of nature outside, trees, minibeasts Design and make boats junk modelling project Den Making Story Making Singing/Instruments Holi Bollywood dance Role Play – Travel Agents: maps, globes, booking forms, suitcases