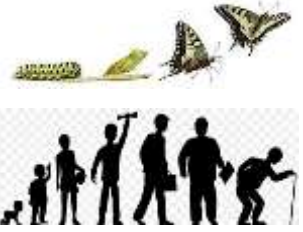


Derry Hill C of E Primary School

Long Term Curriculum Design - Dormouse Class (Year R) 2026-2027

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/Key Question	Starting School What would you like to learn at school? 	Once upon a time Can you find another way for the Goats to cross the river? 	To infinity and beyond What will we see if we travel into space? 	Wild World Where do these animals live? 	Superheroes How can you help others with your superpowers? 	Changes What happened to the caterpillars? 
Launch	Starting Big School	Read The Three Billy Goats Gruff	Watch the first moon landing	Safari Jeep Role-Play	Watch The Incredibles	Delivery of Caterpillars
Land	Now I am at big school I can....	Christmas Events: Christmas Production Christmas Party	Family Learning Afternoon: Space	Nature Trail/Scavenger Hunt	Visitor: Paramedic, Fire Service, Police	Release the butterflies Move Up Week
Books	Starting School What I like about me All about families (Various story books)	Three Billy Goats Gruff Three Little Pigs Little Red Riding Hood Goldilocks and the three bears	On the Moon What's out there? Look inside space Here come the aliens How to catch a star	Rumble in the Jungle Amazing Animals Poles Apart Over on a Desert Poo in the Zoo	How to be a Superhero Supertato Super Daisy Life Savers	From Caterpillar to Butterfly The Very Hungry Caterpillar Once There Were Giants The Growing Story
Maths Number Numerical Pattern	Developing understanding of numbers to 5 Comparing quantities Patterns	Deep understanding of numbers to 5 (including number bonds within 5) Comparing groups 2d shapes Measure	Developing understanding of numbers to 10 Addition Measure (mass and capacity, length and height)	Counting on and counting back Numbers to 20 Numerical patterns 3D shapes	Numbers to 20 Shape (composing and decomposing) Addition/Subtraction Sorting Time	Odd and Even Doubling and halving Sharing and grouping Visualise, build and map Make connections

English Communication and Language Reading Writing	All About Me What do I look like? What do I like doing? Who's in my family? What do me and my family do together?	Story Maps Retelling Stories Describing characters Comparing (different versions of the same story) Christmas Stories Christmas Lists Christmas Cards	Describing Space Non-fiction – what do we know about space? Alien Stories Designing and Describing Aliens	Poems Non-fiction: learning about animals Non-fiction: writing about animals Describing landscapes	Creating our own superheroes (superpowers, costumes, gadgets) Questions for a superhero What makes us unique Facts about real life superheroes	Caterpillar Diary How we have changed When I go into Year One I will...
Role Play	Home Corner	A cottage in the woods Stable (Bethlehem)	Space Station	Safari Jeep	Hospital/Police station	School
Outside	Learning the rules and routines of the outside classroom	Bridge Building (Three Billy Goats Gruff) Building Site (Three Little Pigs)	Rocket Building Moon Adventures	Jungle Desert Arctic	Superhero Hideout Superhero Missions Fire Station	Bug Hunts Obstacle Courses
Physical Development Funky Finger Activities and Handwriting – throughout the year	Fundamental Movement Skills Team building	Fundamental Movement Skills Drumba	Real PE –Space (Dynamic Balance and Agility)	Real PE – Ball Skills	Real Gym - Move like a superhero (Gymnastics)	Athletics – preparing for sports day Sports Week
Understanding the World Past and Present People, Culture and Communities The Natural World including R.E	Our Families Our homes Diwali Harvest	Remembrance Day Bonfire Night Children in need Christmas – The Nativity Story	Space The Moon (including the first moon landing) Planets Solar System Chinese New Year Celebrations: How do people celebrate?	Different environments around the world – similarities and differences Features of different animals Palm Sunday The Easter Story	What makes people special? People who help us Real life superheroes	Caterpillars to Butterflies Babies to 5-year-olds Bible Stories: What can we learn from stories?
Expressive Arts and Design	Self portraits Diwali art	Firework Paintings Puppet shows (from various fairy tales)	Painting/Collage: Planets and Stars 3d and 2d rockets	Large collaborative animals Clay animals	Designing our own superhero	Moveable Caterpillars Symmetrical Butterflies Clay faces

Creating with Materials Being Imaginative and Expressive Music		Character masks Christmas Songs Christmas Art and Craft	Colour Mixing Music: Space	Landscapes Easter Art Music: Jungle Safari	Making gadgets (junk modelling) Designing and Making superhero vehicles Music: Superheroes	
PSHE Circle Time - ongoing Golden Rules - ongoing	Settling in Rules and Routines Worries Sharing Anger The power of our voice Missing people	Confidence to try new activities Worries Allergies Friendships What makes us unique? Best friends New siblings	E-safety Oral hygiene Separate homes Feeling sad Play fighting Screen time Bed time	When people are poorly Moving house Pets Disabilities Holidays/special occasions	Road safety How we play How we learn Hospitals Getting lost Dentists Helping out	Health and Hygiene – linked to sports week Germes Our food journeys Trying new things The news Moving up
Forest School	Exploring the outdoor area	Building bridges for the Billy Goats Gruff	Rocket Building	Minibeast Hunt	Forest Fun	Forest Fun
Special Events	Settling in to school Harvest Service	Remembrance Service Christmas Production Pantomime Trip Carol Service	Chinese New Year Family Learning Afternoon	Science Day Easter Service World Book Day	Visitors (emergency service/people who help us)	Trip – Butterfly World Sports Week Sports Day Move up week
SMSC and FBV Ongoing throughout the year: Sp2 Sp3 Sp4 So1 So3 M1 M3 M6 Cd4		Sp1	Cd5	Sp1		So2