Kirklevington EYFS Curriculum Overview 2026-27 (Rolling Programme)

Class: Acorn and Willow Willow Year group: Reception B

	Topic Title	Themes	Key Texts	Topic Hooks/Visits/Visitors	Festivals	Parent links/ Careers
Autumn 1	Belonging – Me and My Community Let's Explore	• Community • New activities – confidence, resilience, perseverance, facing challenge • Friendship, cooperation, turn taking • Rules • Families • Being unique • Environments we share with others • Staying safe	• Once There Were Giants • Have you filled a Bucket Today? • Lost and Found • We are All Different • My Skin, Your Skin • Monkey Puzzle • We're Going on a Bear Hunt • The Big Adventure • The Bus is for Us • In Every House on Every Street	Visiting a work place Walk around a local community Role play – dressing up as people in our community Print journeys Try something new Sensory walk Hide and Seek Where do we live?	Recycling Week European Day of Languages Harvest	- Family photographs - Explore what family members do for a job and find out about them - - Let's explore the school community - Visit somewhere new in the community and look on a map - Develop the ability to participate in social play involving imagined work places. - Be able to explain what a visitor has told them about their job. - Yoga
Autumn 2	Marvellous Machines Puppet and Pop Ups Exploring Autumn	• Technology in daily lives • How machines help us • Building and creating marvellous machines • Make puppets and tell stories • Story writing	• Harry and the Robots • Machine Poems • Mrs Armitage on Wheels • No Bot the Robot • Stick Man • The Gruffalo • Fox's Socks • Postman Bear • Dear Zoo • Where's Spot? • Traditional Tales	Watch a pantomime Puppet theatre Finger puppets Visit to the Theatre Make puppets with moving parts Using wheels and cogs to make machines	Halloween Bonfire Night Diwali Christmas	- Machines around the home - How does it move investigation - Role Play - Story soundtracks - Investigate shadow puppets

Spring 1	Winter Long Ago Stories and Rhymes	• Processes and changes to the natural world • Daily weather linking to the four seasons • Nursery Rhymes • How have we changed? • How was life in the past different?	• Gruffalo's Child • Snow Bear • Winter (Seasons) • Winter Sleep • Peepo • The Growing Story • The Tiger who Came to Tea • Lucy and Tom stories • My Two Grannies • Clothes/Houses/Sport/Cities Then and Now • Grandad's Island	Photographs of snow experiences Footprints in the snow Winter walks A visit to a museum	Chinese New Year Winnie the Pooh Day Safer Internet Day Mother's Day	- Share photos and compare seasons - Enquiry with water / ice - Be able to carry out a delegated tas - Looking after babies - Memories - Grandparents' tea party - Family traditions - Family favourites - Let's bake!
Spring 2	Signs of spring Ready, Steady, Grow!	• Weather • Food • Farming • Where does food come from? • How can we stay healthy?	• The Bog Baby • The Teeny Weeny Tadpole • Tad • The Easter Story • Life Cycles • The Gigantic Turnip • Rosie's Walk • Too Many Carrots • Jack & the Beanstalk	Picture cards Spring observations Hatching chicks	World Book Day Shrove Tuesday Easter	- Healthy snacks - Visit a farm - Shopping lists - Cooking and following recipes - Planting beanstalks
Summer 1	Creep, Crawl & Wriggle Animal Safari	• Animals around the world • How to look after our global environments • How to look after animals • Invertebrates that live around us and in the garden	• The Lion Inside • Handa's Surprise • Rumble in the Jungle • Walking Through the Jungle • Monkey and Me • The Selfish Crocodile • Busy Vet • Elmer • The Very Hungry Caterpillar • Superworm • Mad about Minibeasts	Visit from a vet Visit from Zoolab	Eid-al-Fitr Walk to School Week World Bee Day STEM Week	- Class Assembly - Teddy Bear's Picnic - Pet shop role play - Looking after animals

Summer 2	Move It On the Beach	• Changes in the natural world • What can you see in the Summer? • Plants, animals and what we see at the seaside • Holiday destinations / holidays in the past • Recognising how we have grown • Being ready for our next year in school • Self-regulation • Importance of sleep, exercise and a balanced diet • Explore outdoors • Summer games	• Summer is Here • Poems about Seasons • Commotion in the Ocean • Snail and the Whale • Goodnight Beach • Crabby Crab • Look what I found at the Seaside • Say Goodbye, Say Hello • Hello Friend • Be Brave Little Penguin • Breathe Like a Bear • Kicking a Ball • Toddle Waddle • Topsy and Tim's Sports Day • Yoga Babies • The Hare and the Tortoise	Beach area outdoors Visit from the Ice Cream Van Role Play- ice cream shop Visit to the Beach	Father's Day	- Summer Fair - Sports' Day - Trip to the Beach - Make ice lollies - Mini Messi Football Coaching - Sporting Heroes - Parachute Games - Fast and Slow - Healthy Cafe