



Progression step 3 2025-26

Topic	All about me	Our Wonderful World	Once upon a time	Animal adventures	Home sweet home	To infinity and beyond
My inspiration	Create a 'Me Museum' where students bring in items that represent their interests, family, and experiences	Organize a 'World Fair' with stations representing different countries, including food, music, and cultural artifacts.	Transform the classroom into a medieval castle	Invite a local animal expert or mobile zoo to bring in live animals for observation	Set up a 'Build Your Dream Home' activity using various craft materials.	Host a 'Space Exploration Day' with activities like building rockets and simulating moon landings.
My voice	Introductions, choosing class reps, understanding pupil voice	Eco-projects, recycling, nature walks	Pupils to share their personal stories, experiences, and ideas for change	Caring for animals, playground and classroom safety	Local helpers, charity work, school pride	End-of-year review, what went well, hopes for next year
My community	Visit another SEMH provision to share about our school Trip Idea: Visit a local youth centre, council office, or school event where learners can present a short talk or digital presentation about themselves, their interests, and goals. Life Skills Focus:	Litter Picking at local park Life Skills Focus: - Communication and teamwork - Environmental responsibility - Engaging with the public	Oral History Visit to a Care Home Trip Idea: Visit a care home to interview residents about their childhood stories. Learners can record the stories and later create a digital or printed storybook to share. Life Skills Focus: - Interviewing and listening	Animal Welfare Outreach Trip Trip Idea: Visit a local animal learn about animal care and help create educational materials for the public or younger children. Life Skills Focus: - Research and responsibility - Communication and creativity	Independent Living Skills in the Community Trip Idea: Plan and carry out a real-life task such as shopping for ingredients, preparing a meal, and using public transport to get to a local café or shop. Life Skills Focus: - Budgeting and planning	Visit a planetarium Life Skills Focus: - Leadership and presentation - Using technology and tools - Engaging with younger audiences



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	- Self-advocacy and confidence - Public speaking and digital literacy - Reflecting on identity and aspirations		- Empathy and intergenerational connection - Recording and presenting information	- Community contribution	- Travel training and timekeeping - Food preparation and safety	
British Values	Democracy Class elections for roles and responsibilities. Rule of Law Create a class charter with agreed rules and consequences. Individual Liberty Encourage self-expression through art and writing. Mutual Respect Discuss the importance of respecting others' opinions and feelings. Tolerance	Democracy Debate environmental issues and vote on class projects. Rule of Law Learn about environmental laws and their importance. Individual Liberty Encourage independent research on global issues. Mutual Respect Discuss the impact of human activity on different communities. Tolerance	Democracy Create and vote on alternative endings for stories. Rule of Law Discuss the role of laws in fairy tales and their real-life implications. Individual Liberty Encourage creative writing and storytelling. Mutual Respect Explore themes of respect and kindness in traditional tales. Tolerance Discuss the moral lessons about tolerance in stories.	Democracy Vote on which animals to study and how to protect them. Rule of Law Learn about animal protection laws and their importance. Individual Liberty Encourage independent projects on favorite animals. Mutual Respect Discuss the importance of respecting all living creatures. Tolerance Explore how different cultures	Democracy Create a class project on improving the local community. Rule of Law Learn about local laws and their impact on daily life. Individual Liberty Encourage students to express their ideas for community improvement. Mutual Respect Discuss the importance of respecting neighbors and community members. Tolerance	Democracy Debate and vote on space exploration projects. Rule of Law Learn about international space laws and agreements. Individual Liberty Encourage independent research on space topics. Mutual Respect Discuss the importance of international cooperation in space exploration. Tolerance



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	Explore different family structures and cultures.	Explore diverse cultures and their relationship with nature.		view and treat animals.	Explore different types of homes and communities around the world.	Explore how different cultures view the universe and space exploration.
School Values	Kindness Reflects on the impact of kindness and chooses to act kindly even when it's difficult Supports others in resolving conflicts kindly	Belonging Takes responsibility for including others and building community Champions fairness and inclusion in group settings	Believing Demonstrates resilience and self-belief in the face of challenge Reflects on growth and effort as part of success	Achieving Sets and reviews personal learning goals independently Supports others in achieving their goals too	Respect Consistently uses respectful language and behaviour in a range of settings Demonstrates empathy and values others' opinions during collaborative tasks	Accountability Takes ownership of personal actions and accepts consequences appropriately Sets simple goals and works towards them, reflecting on progress with support
Literacy and communication	Use expanded vocabulary to describe personal experiences and emotions Structure personal recounts with a clear beginning, middle, and end Use first-person pronouns and time	Read and understand simple non-fiction texts (e.g., fact files, leaflets) Identify key facts and main ideas in a paragraph Use topic-specific vocabulary (e.g., climate, habitat, recycle)	Identify features of different story genres Use descriptive language to develop characters and settings Plan and write imaginative stories with a clear structure	Read and write animal-themed stories, poems, and reports Use adjectives and adverbs to describe movement and appearance Sequence events logically in a narrative or recount	Write instructions or recounts related to home life (e.g., recipes, routines) Use time adverbials (e.g., first, finally, after that) Read and respond to texts about families, homes, and communities	Read and write imaginative texts set in space or futuristic settings Use expanded noun phrases and similes for description Create and follow story maps or plans for writing



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	connectives (e.g., then, next, after) Begin to edit and improve their own writing with support Read and respond to autobiographical texts or character profiles Use punctuation more consistently	Write simple reports or explanations using headings and subheadings Use diagrams, labels, and captions to support meaning Begin to compare and contrast information from different sources	Use dialogue with appropriate punctuation (e.g., speech marks) Explore themes and morals in stories Retell stories using expressive language and varied sentence starters	Use paragraphs to group related ideas Ask and answer questions about texts to show understanding Create fact files or persuasive texts (e.g., "Why we should protect tigers")	Explore different types of homes and cultures through reading Use persuasive language in writing (e.g., "Why my home is special") Develop empathy through character studies and role play	Use a range of sentence types (statements, questions, exclamations) Explore cause and effect in stories Write diary entries or letters from the perspective of an astronaut or alien
Mathematics and Numeracy	Read, write, and compare numbers up to 1,000 and beyond Use standard units to measure height, weight, and time accurately Interpret and create bar charts and tables to represent personal data Use digital and analogue clocks to tell time to the nearest 5 minutes	-Collect, organise, and interpret data from the natural world (e.g., rainfall, temperature) Use line graphs and bar charts to represent environmental data Identify and describe number patterns and sequences in nature Estimate and measure using appropriate tools	Use timelines and sequencing to order events in stories Identify and describe properties of 2D and 3D shapes in illustrations Explore symmetry and tessellation in story settings (e.g., castle windows, shields) Solve word problems based on story contexts using all four operations	Use multiplication and division facts to solve problems involving animal groups Compare and convert units of measurement (e.g., kg to g, m to cm) Create and interpret pictograms, bar charts, and tables about animals Explore probability and chance in	Add and subtract money using decimal notation Solve real-life problems involving budgeting and shopping Measure and compare capacity, mass, and length using standard units Read and interpret timetables and calendars	Use compass directions and angles to describe movement and turns Estimate and calculate distances in space-themed contexts Explore large numbers and place value (e.g., distance to planets) Create and interpret space-themed graphs and charts



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	Calculate durations and solve problems involving time	(e.g., thermometers, rulers) Use coordinates and simple maps to describe position and movement	Use fractions and decimals in story-based scenarios (e.g., sharing treasure)	animal behaviour (e.g., spinner games) Use Venn and Carroll diagrams to sort and classify animals	Use perimeter and area to explore space in the home (e.g., room layouts)	Use scale and proportion in models and maps (e.g., solar system models)
Expressive arts	Art Understanding self-portrait techniques and styles Exploring different mediums for self-expression (e.g., drawing, painting, collage) Learning about famous artists who focus on self-portraits Music Exploring musical elements that express identity (e.g., rhythm, melody) Understanding the role of music in	Art Exploring landscape art and techniques Understanding the use of colour and texture to represent natural environments Learning about artists who focus on nature and the environment Music Understanding how music can represent natural elements (e.g., water, wind) Exploring compositions inspired by nature	Art Understanding illustration techniques for storytelling Exploring the use of visual elements to convey narrative Learning about illustrators and artists who create story-based art Music Exploring musical storytelling techniques (e.g., leitmotif, theme) Understanding the role of music in enhancing narratives	Art Exploring techniques for drawing and sculpting animals Understanding the use of texture and form to represent animals Learning about artists who focus on animal subjects Music Understanding how music can represent different animals (e.g., Saint-Saëns' 'Carnival of the Animals')	Art Exploring architectural drawing and design techniques Understanding the use of space and structure in art Learning about artists and architects who focus on homes and buildings Music Understanding how music can represent different aspects of home life Exploring compositions	Art Exploring techniques for creating space-themed art Understanding the use of light and colour to represent space Learning about artists who focus on space and science fiction themes Music Understanding how music can represent the concept of space and the universe Exploring compositions



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	personal and cultural identity Learning about musicians who use music to express their identity Dance Understanding how dance can express personal stories and emotions Exploring different dance styles and their cultural significance Learning about dancers who use movement to express their identity	Learning about composers who create music based on the natural world Dance Exploring movements inspired by natural elements (e.g., flowing, sharp) Understanding the connection between dance and the environment Learning about choreographers who create dances inspired by nature	Learning about composers who create music for stories and films Dance Understanding how dance can tell a story through movement Exploring narrative dance styles (e.g., ballet, contemporary) Learning about choreographers who create story-based dances	Exploring compositions inspired by animals Learning about composers who create music based on animal themes Dance Exploring movements inspired by different animals Understanding the connection between animal behavior and dance Learning about choreographers who create dances based on animal movements	inspired by the concept of home Learning about composers who create music based on domestic themes Dance Exploring movements that represent daily routines and home life Understanding the connection between dance and domestic activities Learning about choreographers who create dances based on home and family life	inspired by space exploration Learning about composers who create music based on space themes Dance Exploring movements inspired by space travel and zero gravity Understanding the connection between dance and science fiction Learning about choreographers who create dances based on space exploration
Health and Wellbeing (PSHE)	Understanding the human body and its functions Exploring emotions and self-awareness	Understanding the environment and weather patterns Exploring healthy eating and nutrition	Understanding safety and risk management Exploring relationships and social skills	Understanding the importance of caring for animals Exploring empathy and compassion	Understanding different types of homes and communities Exploring family dynamics and relationships	Understanding aspirations and goal-setting Exploring resilience and perseverance



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	Developing personal hygiene routines	Developing awareness of physical activity and its benefits	Developing problem-solving and decision-making skills	Developing responsibility and routine	Developing a sense of belonging and community	Developing self-confidence and self-esteem
Health and Wellbeing (PE)	Apply fundamental skills with control; explore fitness and body awareness. Sport/Activities Gymnastics (progressions: rolls, cartwheels), Fitness circuits, Dance	Develop running, jumping, and throwing techniques; teamwork outdoors. Sports/Activities Athletics (sprints, long jump, throwing), Tag rugby, Orienteering	Respond creatively to prompts; link complex movements into sequences. Sports/Activities Dance (story-based choreography), Gymnastics routines, Target games	Improve agility, coordination, and tactical awareness in team games. Sports/Activities Animal-inspired circuits, Tag games, Football/Hockey, Relay races	Develop striking and fielding skills; cooperative play in team sports. Sports/Activities Rounders, Cricket basics, Benchball, Parachute games	Show endurance and motivation; apply skills in competitive and creative challenges. Sports/Activities Athletics (sports day prep: sprints, jumps), Rounders, Obstacle courses
Humanities	Understanding personal and family history Exploring significant events in personal lives Comparing life now and in the past Identifying local area features Understanding maps and symbols	Learning about significant explorers and their journeys Understanding how people have changed the environment over time Exploring ancient civilizations and their contributions Identifying continents, oceans, and major world features	Exploring historical events and figures in fairy tales Understanding the historical context of traditional stories Comparing fairy tale settings with real historical places Mapping fairy tale journeys Exploring landforms (mountains, rivers, forests)	Learning about animals in history (e.g., war horses, pets of famous people) Exploring how animals were used in the past Understanding the historical significance of animals in different cultures	Comparing homes from different times and cultures Exploring changes in household technology Understanding the historical development of housing Studying local community and services	Learning about significant figures in space exploration (e.g., Neil Armstrong, Mae Jemison) Exploring how ideas about space have changed over time Understanding the historical development of space technology Geography



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	Exploring the concept of community	Comparing different environments (desert, rainforest, polar) Understanding weather patterns and climate zones	Understanding the geographical context of traditional stories	Exploring animal habitats around the world Using maps to locate where animals live Understanding the geographical distribution of different species	Using maps and symbols to represent places Understanding the concept of urban and rural areas	Using globes and maps to understand Earth's place in space Exploring day/night and seasons Understanding the geographical features of other planets
Science and Technology	Human body systems (circulatory, respiratory, digestive) Nutritional needs and healthy eating Growth and development stages Personal hygiene and its importance Introduction to digital health tools (fitness trackers, health apps)	Earth's layers and landforms Weather patterns and climate zones Water cycle and its importance Natural resources and their conservation Using digital tools to study geography (e.g., Google Earth) Creating weather reports using technology	Materials and their properties Simple machines and their uses Historical scientific discoveries Forces and motion in historical contexts Technology Exploring historical inventions and their impact Creating models of simple machines	Animal classification and habitats Food chains and ecosystems Adaptations and survival strategies Life cycles of different animals Technology Using digital tools to study animals (e.g., virtual zoos) Creating digital animal fact files	Materials used in building homes Energy sources and their uses Heating and insulation Environmental impact of housing Technology Designing and building model homes Using technology to study different types of homes	Solar system and planets Phases of the moon and eclipses Gravity and its effects Space exploration and its history Using digital tools to study space (e.g., star maps) Creating models of the solar system



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	Basic coding and programming concepts Using technology to monitor health (e.g., heart rate monitors) Creating digital presentations about personal health	Introduction to renewable energy technologies Building simple models of landforms and water cycle	Using technology to research historical events Designing and building structures from historical periods	Designing and building animal habitats Using coding to simulate animal behaviours	Exploring smart home technologies Creating digital floor plans	Exploring space technologies (e.g., rockets, satellites) Designing and building simple rockets
Cooking	Understand the importance of not cross-contaminating food. Store food properly to keep it fresh and safe to eat. Tie back hair and wear an apron while cooking.	Use a knife safely to cut fruits and vegetables with proper technique. Follow safety rules when using kitchen appliances, like keeping cords away from water. Handle hot pots and pans carefully, using oven mitts or pot holders.	Use a knife safely to chop fruits and vegetables with proper technique. Use a grater to grate cheese or vegetables carefully. Use a rolling pin to roll out dough evenly. Use a can opener to open cans safely. Use a vegetable peeler to peel harder vegetables like carrots. Use a kitchen scale to weigh ingredients accurately. Use measuring spoons to measure small amounts of	Use a knife safely to chop fruits and vegetables with proper technique. Use a knife to cut harder vegetables like carrots with supervision. Use a knife to slice and dice ingredients with guidance.	Arrange food on the plate to enhance its visual appeal. Measure, mix, and bake ingredients to create breads, cakes, and pastries with minimal supervision.	Experiment with ingredients and techniques to create new dishes and adapt recipes independently.



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