

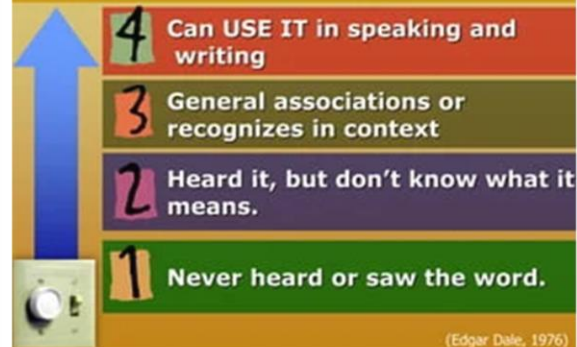
Foundations@Thurcroft

EYFS Vocabulary Progression

'A language-rich environment is one in which adults talk with children throughout the day. The more children take part in conversations and discussion, the more they will understand once they can read and the more vocabulary and ideas they will have to draw on when they can write.'

The Reading Framework 2023
DfE

Stages of Learning a Word



BUILDING BLOCKS OF COMMUNICATION





FS1 Vocabulary progression ladder

Communication and language is at the heart of the Foundations@Thurcroft curriculum and underpins all areas of learning. **High quality conversations and vocabulary development** occur daily through play-based learning, daily story time, continuous provision and effective pedagogy.

This document outlines the vocabulary children will learn at each stages of the EYFS. Key words have been carefully selected for each year group that show progression.

Vocabulary is a starting point for succeeding at school, learning to read, gaining new skills across all subjects and enables complex thinking. Focusing on language and communication is especially important for young children and will support the development of a range of early literacy skills as well as their wider knowledge and understanding. The classroom offers a purposeful, text rich environment that allows children to interact with print and begin to recognise letters before progressing on to decoding in further education. Teaching practitioners introduce and model new words during children's play, narrate play and models correct pronunciation of words. ALL children are encouraged to use new vocabulary during daily play.

N1 Vocabulary Curricular Goal	G1. Speak using at least 3-word combinations	G2. To pronounce l/r/w/y/s/h/ch/dz/j/f/th	G3. To begin to use multi-syllabic words
N2 Vocabulary Curricular Goal	To use sentences of 4 to 6 words	To use a wider range of vocabulary	To say multi-syllabic words

Example teaching vocabulary: models, encourages, points out, praises, suggests, reminds, explains, wonders, challenges, questions, demonstrates, exploring ideas, recalling, providing a narrative, facilitating, showing, communicating and modelling language

EYFS Vocabulary Progression ladder

Area of Learning	Personal, Social & Emotional Development LINKS TO SEMH/PSHE
N2	<p>Emotions and feelings surprise, shocked, frightened, confused, upset, excited, worried, anxious, assertive, independent, happy, sad, angry, tired, rules, sharing, together, listening, proud, responsible, unkind, belong, teamwork, safe, nervous, lonely, sorry, angry, different</p> <p>Relationships care, friendly, love, gentle, help, right, wrong, feeling, family, jobs, relationship, friend, lonely, argue, fall-out, words, feelings, angry, upset, calm me, breathing, hurt</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: emotions wall, colour monsters and props, calming corner, sensory resources, feelings books, mirrors</p> <p>Families me, siblings, extended, grandparents, auntie, uncle, cousins, mother, father, son, daughter, niece, nephew, stepparent, sister, brother, step, half, teenager, older, younger</p> <p>Me myself, opinion, regulate, voice, listen, control, you, respect, responsibility, role, shy, characteristics, similarities, grow, change, age, conflict, organise, share, take turns</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: family books, self-portraits, family photos home bay, conversations/ discussions</p> <p>Rules and Responsibilities kind, careful, helpful, fair, important, respect, role, voice, rights, choice, consequence, responsible, achievements, encourage, individual</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: Nursery rules posters, talking tins, reminders, ballot box, certificates, sparkle and shine assembly</p> <p>British Values respect, choice, voice, opinion, vote, rights, ideas, pride, equality, equity, liberty, community, democracy, faith, belief, acceptance, freedom, law, tolerance, freedom, value, British, debate, question</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: ballot box, free choice baskets, children's voice sheets (termly), books, stage appropriate resources (e.g easy grip loop scissors, assorted sizes of pencils) walks in community, joining assembly</p> <p>Transition school, expectation, teacher, assistant, friend, brave, change, first, start, then, going, acceptance, begin, new,</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: transition Visit to and from new school, 10 transition steps (summer term), books, transition meeting with parents, photo book of new school</p>



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Area of Learning	Physical Development LINKS TO PE
N2	<p>Our Bodies body, limbs, features, skeleton, appearance, grow, legs, arms, head, forehead, cheeks, freckles, hair, look, hands, ears, stomach, torso, hips, waist, elbow, ankles, forearm, neck, chest, feet, toes, different, size, change, nose, leg, eyebrow</p> <p>Movement balance, skip, hop, sprint, run, slither, steady, throw, catch, stop, space, surroundings, jump, control, travel, running, skipping, side step, stride, gallop, forward, roll, apparatus, kick, crawling, shuffling, under, over, push, pull, safety, move, stop, position, breath, stretch, muscles, dance,, strength, co-ordination, direction, sport, activity, climb, pedal</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: visits to hall, obstacle course, wake and shake, kids yoga, mirrors, books, posters, dance session, sports day</p> <p>Hygiene care, clean, wash, brush, soap, germs, bacteria,</p> <p>Oral health teeth, tooth, mouth, tongue, gums, toothpaste, fluoride, clean, bacteria, germs, cavities, filling, dentist, dental assistant, tooth, brush floss</p> <p>Keeping healthy active, exercise, healthy, heart rate, hygiene, health, wash hands, germs, protection, medicine, vaccine, immunisation, GP, doctor, NHS, check-up, balanced diet, fruit, vegetable, 5 a day</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: routine, pictures in bathroom, modelling, dentist/doctors/hospital role play, visit from dentist/school nurse, discussions, videos to support learning, snack time discussions</p> <p>Mealtimes cutlery, knife, fork, spoon, cup, beaker, tray, cut, slice, scoop, breakfast, lunch, dinner, snack, stir,</p> <p>Classroom enhancement: routine, photos in kitchen, staff modelling, weekly baking, resources in playdough, fine motor activities to develop skills</p>



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Area of Learning

Literacy **LINKS TO READING**

N2

Books author, front cover, illustrator, beginning, middle, end, character, print, text, words, story, fiction, non fiction, library, facts, information, language, page, poetry, index, glossary, synopsis, core text, sentence, pictures, actions, retell, remember, recall

Print in the environment sign, advertisement, menu, road sign, traffic signs, for sale sign, notice, symbol, logo, words, price, label

Songs and rhymes word, sound, sign, rhyme, similar, word endings, together, group,

Phonics language letter, sound, see, here, initial, blend, cvc, tricky, segment, phoneme, environmental, letter of name, recognise, write, label, attention, good listener, carpet rules, conversation, caption

Curiosity/key words who, what, why, where, when, because, and, or, because, multi-syllabic, key word, vocabulary, questions, perseverance, keep on trying, resilience, respect, wonder, idea, think,

Classroom enhancement: text rich environment, familiar logos, daily songs/rhymes, daily phonics session, rules, fortnightly core text, reading garden, writing garden, fiction/non fiction books, books alongside focused learning, reading area alongside music, phonic cards, staff prompting and language modelling, yearly WBD, weekly share a story morning, key driver (develop a love for reading)teacher questioning, discussions, PowerPoint, weekly homework

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Area of Learning	Mathematics Development
N2	<p>Number number names 1-10 and beyond, digit, number, single, beyond, numeral, number, pair</p> <p>Counting count, order, more, none, less, higher, lower, next, before, correspondence, subitise, cardinal, amount, total, count on, count back, order, same, split, group, share, mathematics,</p> <p>Capacity full, empty, half full, half empty, measure, container, litre, volume, quarter, full, holds, nearly full, nearly empty,</p> <p>Shape circle, triangle, square, rectangle, oval, heart, star, 2d, flat, 3d, vertex, vertices, shape, arrangement, corners, sides, pyramid, sphere, cuboid, cubes, curved, straight, straight round hollow, solid, sort, make, build, size, bigger, larger, smaller, symmetrical pattern, repeating pattern match</p> <p>Size and Length big, little, medium, large, gigantic, tiny, biggest, smallest, tall, tallest, short, shortest, short, shorter, shortest, long, longest, longer, wide, narrow, measure, length, enormous, thin, ruler, tape measure</p> <p>Measurement measure, size, compare guess, estimate, enough, not enough, too much, too little, too many, too few ,nearly, close to, about the same as, just over, just under</p> <p>Pattern special pattern, growing pattern, repeating pattern, spotty, checkered, poker dot, stripey, spotty, wavy, spiral, zig zag,</p> <p>Weight weight weigh, weighs, balances, heavy, light, heavy, heaviest, heavier than, light, lighter than heaviest, lightest, scales, unit ,compare, comparison</p> <p>Time days of the week, Monday, Tuesday ... day, week birthday, holiday morning, afternoon, evening, night bedtime, dinner time, playtime today, yesterday, tomorrow before, after next, last now, soon, early, late quick, quicker, quickest, quickly slow, slower, slowest, slowly old, older, oldest new, newer, newest takes longer, takes less time hour, o'clock clock, watch, hands, hour, routine, digital</p> <p>Prepositions and Direction position, over, under, above, below top, bottom, side on, in between, outside, inside around in front, behind front, back beside, next to opposite apart between middle, edge corner direction left, right up, down forwards, backwards, sideways across next to, close, near, far along through to, from, towards, away from movement slide roll turn stretch, bend whole turn, half turn</p>

Comparison and Estimating guess, how many, estimate, compare, nearly close to about the same as just over, just under too many, too few enough, not enough, different, similar

Addition and Subtraction add, more, and make, sum, total altogether double one more, two more ... ten more how many more to make ...? how many more is ... than ...? how much more is ...? take away how many are left/left over? how many have gone? one less, two less, ten less ... how many fewer is ... than ...? how much less is ...? difference between

Statistics count, sort group, set list

Money money, coin, penny, pence, pound price, cost buy, sell spend, spent pay, note, card, bank, debit, bill, till, checkout

Place and Value ones, tens, digit, the same number as, as many as more, larger, bigger, greater fewer, smaller, less fewest, smallest, least most, biggest, largest, greatest one more, compare order, size, first, second, third... twentieth last, last but one before, after next between

Classroom enhancement: numicon, area numicon amounts, number lines, number rich environment, maths cabinet with resources, portable math boxes, displays, pictures, photos, focused playing, daily maths challenge, flash 5 at morning welcome, weekly homework, resources in home bay, games, puzzles, IB games, scales, filling & emptying water/sand, shape walks, number walks, maths focus groups, teacher questioning, group discussions and problem solving, tape measures, pattern stamps, lightbox resources, shapes, construction, threading

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Area of Learning

Understanding of the World **LINKS TO HISTORY/SCIENCE/GEOGRAPHY**

N2

Seasonal Change cold, warm, hot, sun, rain, snow, ice, frost, foggy, season, Summer, Spring, Autumn, Winter, days, year, light, dark, night, moon, weather, change, leaves, falling, trees, migration, observe, see, signs

Classroom enhancement: spotting changes in weather, display, curiosity cube, books, PowerPoint, observational drawings, weather chart (morning welcome) group discussions, teacher questioning

Harvest festival, vegetables, pumpkins, fruits, scarecrows, combine harvester, sowing seeds, growing. Autumn, leaves, conkers, orange, brown, yellow, red, seasons, rustling, crunchy, autumn weather – rain, sun, cloud.

Classroom enhancement: church visit, donations to food bank, harvest assembly, bring a vegetable to nursery day, powerPoint, Autumn treasure bags (homework) display, video, books

Lifecycles Cycle, life cycle, growth, changes eggs, living thing, offspring, young seedlings, young trees, babies, children, baby animals germinate metamorphosis, mammals, animals, produce, live, young, organism, embryo, larvae, change, caterpillar, butterfly, cocoon, larva, pupa, chrysalis, Monarch, Painted Lady, spin, silk, egg tooth, hatch, emerge

Classroom enhancement: Observing Caterpillar eggs, books, display, group discussions, teacher questioning,

Maps and Countries atlas, globe, world, Earth, planet, space, continent, land, water, compass, north, south, island, country, capital

Places woodland, dessert, ocean, sea, jungle, arctic, seaside, stone, tree, soil

Classroom enhancement: curiosity cube, globe, photos, discussions, questioning,

Baking recipe, bake, cook, whisk, weigh, chop, pour, jug, scales, spoon, mix, bowl, melt, cut, sift, sieve, colander, ingredients, meal, clean, wash,

Classroom enhancement: weekly baking session, playdough, independent baking using picture recipe, display, labelled resources, staff modelling

Materials and Properties wood, rubber, brick, paper, leather, stone, plastic, metal, glass, sand, water, rock, pot, clay, hard, soft, bendy, rough, smooth, shiny, dull, absorbent, waterproof, strong, magnet,

Classroom enhancement: new vocab, construction resources, pictures, forces display, curiosity cube, resources in workshop, box modelling, materials, teacher questioning

Past and present yesterday, before, after, younger, older, past, long ago, old, new, extinct, future, birth, birthday, event, celebration,

Classroom enhancement: family books, conversations, modelling language including tenses, celebrating special events, parent event/occasions sheets,

Living things habitat, mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, growth, plants, home, cycle, food, chain, insects, minibeasts, herbivore, carnivore, omnivore, features, egg,

Bird watch binoculars, migration, species, nature, tally, result, habitat, beak, feathers, chicks, nest, tally, claws

Classroom enhancement: bird tally chart, homework sheets, walks around environment, books, photos, pictures, displays, bird hide, making binoculars, live video feed

Celebrations and Culture birthday, anniversary, wedding, marriage, christening, birth, religion, faith, tradition, cultures, beliefs, respect, temple, church, synagogue, prayer, mosque, Lunar New Year, Diwali, festival, light, new year, Diya lamp, lantern, rangoli, Lakshmi, Rama, Sita, Ravana, legend, dragon, fortune, good luck, Zodiac, chop sticks, Cantonese, China, Hinduism, Sikhism, Judaism, Christianity, belief, bible, Jesus, God, worship, cross, Vicar

Remembrance remember, remembrance day, soldier, war, parade, Armistice day, cease fire, veteran, medal, army, poppy fields, survived, wreath, pride, bugle, donations, charity,

Classroom enhancement: focused topic learning, food tasting traditional cuisine, dragon dance, parent workshops, power points, group discussions, books, assemblies, visits from Vicar/ to church, easel stimulus, making Diya lamps

Planting and Growing seeds flower, stem, seed, petal, stigma, sepal, leaf, sow, soil, grow, water, feed, sunlight, bean, watering can

Classroom enhancement: planting seeds activity, caring for plants, observing daily changes, light/dark activity, creating and maintaining outdoor flower beds, parent workshop planting vegetables in school quad, garden centre role play, soil/planting in sand tray



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Occupations job, work, role, help, doctor, teacher, crossing patrol, paramedic, nurse, fire fighter, police officer, plumber, shop keeper, mechanic, dentist, barber, hairdresser, chef, waiter/ss pilot, vet, farmer, soldier, banker, delivery driver, bus driver, library assistant

Classroom enhancement: visits from different professionals, role play, dress up, videos, powerPoints, books, posters, group discussions, walks to local businesses in community, visit to post office

Easter Spring, new life, farm, lambs, chicks, piglets, birth, Jesus, cross, Church, crucifix, resurrection, Bible, daffodil, tulip, snowdrop, church, hot cross bun, parade, bonnet, rabbit/bunny, prayer

Classroom enhancement: parent workshop, bonnet parade, visit to church, Easter cards, live farm feeds, visit, books, discussions, focussed learning, Spring Walk, displays

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Area of Learning	Expressive Arts & Design LINKS TO MUSIC/ART
N2	<p>Music & Artist loud, quiet, instrument, Tambourine, Triangle, beater, Wooden Claves, Cabassa, Maraca, Castanets, shake, tap, beat, sound, rhythm, tone, play, bang, Mozart, Vivaldi, Bach, Strauss, Dvorak, Van Gough, Mozart, Pier Mandrain, Wassily Kandinsky, George Seurat, Gustav Klint, artist, composer, classical, abstract, painting, sculpture Classroom enhancement: Termly Artist/Musician, music area, music group time, stage and props</p> <p>Cooking & Nutrition food, cooking, baking, recipe, ingredients, meal, snack, healthy, diet, measure, clean, prepare, germs, hygiene, bake, cook, temperature, piping hot, warm, cold, served, Classroom enhancement: home/cafe role play area, baking activity, playdough, photos, posters, teacher explanations/discussions, reminders to wash hands</p> <p>Tools and resources scissors, glue, spreader, material, sequins, wool, paper, card, pencil, chalk, wipe board, chalkboard, dry wipe marker, ruler, pattern cutter, clay, design, idea, crayon, felt tip, pen, marker, paint, apron, colour, shade, artist, sparkle, playdough, rolling pin, cutter, knife, stamp, print, mix, pallet, primary colour,</p> <p>Exploring colour change mix, colour, powder, pallet, water colour, paint brush, strokes, Classroom enhancement: free access in workshop, resource trolley, photos prompts, encourage children to use and act on own ideas, clay tiles, weekly activity all chn access, writing garden, easel, stimulus link to learning, colour shade chart, paint routine</p> <p>Dance body, move, energy, exercise, speed, stretch, ballet, street, performance, show, costume Classroom enhancement: weekly wake & shake/yoga session, visits to hall, music area</p> <p>Buildings house, home, skyscraper, bridge, detached, semi-detached, bungalow, flat, apartment, cottage, tent, caravan, hotel, barn, shops, café, restaurant,</p> <p>Textures rough, smooth, prickly, soft, fuzzy, sticky, slimy, squidgy, shiny, bumpy, cold, hot, velvety, hairy, spongy, coarse Classroom enhancement: construction building bricks, photos, walks in environment, vehicles and building resources, new vocab, group discussions, circle times, teacher modelling, scaffolding learning (building on their own ideas)</p>