Overview of Literacy

Area	Skill	How covered	Dev Matters link
Phonics	To learn the initial 42 sounds	Explicitly through literacy lessons	Reading
	To learn the alternative sounds	using a range of practical and	Continues a rhyming string. • Hears and says the initial sound in words. • Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them. • Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet. • Begins to read words and simple sentences. • Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of books. • Enjoys an increasing range of books. • Knows that information can be retrieved from books and computers. Early Learning Goal Children read and understand simple sentences. They use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately. They also read some common irregular words. They demonstrate understanding when talking with others about what they have read. Writing Gives meaning to marks they make as they draw, write and paint. • Begins to break the flow of speech into words. • Continues a rhyming string. • Hears and says the initial sound in words. • Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together. • Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the
		focused tasks	
		Bingo	
		Pegging activities	
		Phonics play sessions	
		Busy things	
		Phonics setting	
		Literacy lessons	
	To learn to hold our pencil in a froggy grip	Dough Gym/disco	
		Funky fingers	
		Screwdriver activities	
		Hammering activities	
		Pencil control sheets	
		Handwriting patterns	
	Blending and segmenting sounds	Robot talk	
		Sound dots	
		Leap pads	
		Jolly phonics IWB	
		Sound boards	
		Pegging activities Puzzles	
		Puzzies	
	Word writing/simple sentences	Scaffolding	
		Colourful semantics	
		Wipeboard activities	
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		Shared writing tasks Morning write off Story based tasks	letters of the alphabet. •Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence. •Writes own name and other things
Instruction writing	Simple instructions first – next -	Texts with instructions – Seed in	such as labels,captions. •Attempts to write short sentences in meaningful contexts.
	last	need &	
		How to grow a dinosaur	
		Following pictorial cues to scaffold	Early Learning Goal Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. They also write some irregular common words. They write simple sentences which can be read by
		writing	
Story writing	Simple stories with character, plot, setting	Using familiar stories to retell	
		Puppets	
		Story boards	themselves and others. Some words are spelt
		Book reviews	correctly and others are phonetically plausible.
		Small world story scenes	
		Modelled texts	