Reception Essential Knowledge

Understanding the World: The Natural World (Science)

Physical processes: Seasons (Spring)

- the four seasons
 - > spring
 - > summer
 - > autumn
 - > winter
- seasons change through the year
 - > temperature
 - > weather patterns
 - > trees
 - > what we wear
 - > what we choose to do
- the characteristics of spring
 - > warmer
 - > rain
 - > clouds
 - > green leaves grow on trees
 - > shoots begin to appear
 - > animals: lambs, chicks

Physical processes: States of matter (melting)

- the difference between solids and liquids
 - > a solid keeps its shape
 - > a liquid matches the shape of the container it is poured into
- melting happens when
 - > a solid becomes a liquid
 - > a solid is heated

Natural World: Plants

- vocabulary to describe:
 - > what they can see, hear and feel outside
- know plant types:
 - > tree
 - > flower
 - > grass
- identify, draw and label flower parts:
 - > flower
 - > stem
 - > petals
 - > leaves
 - > roots

- what plants need to survive:
 - > water
 - > sunlight

Understanding the World: People, Culture and Communities (Geography)

My Local Area

- the features of the immediate environment by
 - > observing and discussing their observations
 - > listening to stories
 - > looking at maps
- that information can be drawn from a map
 - > road and village names
 - > where buildings, roads, trees, fields and walls are located
- how to draw a simple map
 - > roads
 - > trees and fields
 - > rivers
 - > buildings e.g. houses, farms and schools

Understanding the World: People, Culture and Communities (RE)

Expressing: What makes places special?

- the special places in their lives
 - > home
 - > school
 - > where they are part of a community
 - > where they feel happy and safe
 - > churches
 - > mosques
- special places in stories
- similarities and differences between different special places

Easter

- Easter
 - > is a special time for Christians
 - > is a celebration of the death and reincarnation of Jesus
- Easter story
 - > the sequence of the main events
 - > the people who are in the Easter story

Understanding the World: History

Past and present

- the past has already happened
- the present is what is happening now
- past and present
 - \succ commenting on images from the past
 - homes
 - schools
 - transport
 - artefacts
 - > similarities and differences between the past and present
 - > characters from stories

chronology of events

- > being born
- > when parents were born
- > when grandparents were born
- > starting school
- > now