



Grindon Infant School Reception Literacy Medium Term Planning 2025-2026

Summer 1-Handa's Surprise

Area of Learning	Focus
Literacy COMPREHENSION	Comprehension: Correctly sequence a story or event using pictures and/or captions. Respond to questions about how and why something is happening. Know the difference between different types of texts (fiction, nonfiction, poetry) Play influenced by experience of books-gestures and actions used to act out a story, event or rhyme from text or illustrations.
Literacy WORD READING	Word Reading: Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them. Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.
PHONICS	Phase 3-Bug Club Phonics Consolidate Phase 2 and 3 skills. Know trigraphs ear, ure, air. Know vowel digraph er. Read tricky words they, her, all, are. Continue to apply knowledge of blending and segmenting to reading and spelling simple two-syllable words and captions. Write more graphemes from memory and write a simple sentence using phonic knowledge.
Literacy WRITING Emergent writing Composition Spelling Handwriting	Emergent writing: Continue to build on knowledge of letter sounds to build words in writing. Use writing in play. Use familiar words in their writing. Composition: Write a simple sentence with a full stop. Spelling: Spell words by drawing on knowledge of known grapheme correspondences. Make phonetically plausible attempts when writing more complex unknown words. Spell common exception (tricky) words e.g., he, she, we, be, me independently. Handwriting: Form most lower-case letters correctly, starting and finishing in the right place, going the right way round and correctly orientated. Include spaces between words.

Letter-join Handwriting Focus

Continue Gross Motor Skills Animal movements 1-14 in outdoor provision.



Letter-join 'Introducing Printed Harder Letters and Harder Words':

-“b”, ‘p’ and ‘k’

-‘v’, ‘s’ and ‘r’

-‘f’, ‘x’ and ‘z’

TFW Story Writing Development Focus

Child takes the pen more and more, until eventually they are writing complete phrases.

May still need a phonics mat to support.

Rhyme of the Month

April-I Hear Thunder

May-Down in the Jungle

Literacy Weekly Focus

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
TFW-Handa's Surprise	TFW- Handa's Surprise	TFW-Handa's Surprise	Non-Fiction-Kenya	African Rhymes
Whole Class story map	Innovation AL Task-Change country.	New Story AL Task-Own surprise.	Country Fact Report Writing AL Task	African Rhyme AL Task
Acting out the story.	Handa stories.	Handa stories.	Maps and Atlases	Africa Rhymes Collection
Sentences AL Task.	Phonics Bug set 10 books.	Phonics Bug set 10 books.	Phonics Bug set 10 books.	Phonics Bug set 11 books.

Phonics Bug set 9 books.

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