Our EYFS at Saint Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy 2022-2023 CURRICULUM APPROACH

This document has been written to capture the long term plan for Saint Mary's EYFS Curriculum

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<u>March</u> 2021.pdf 'The EYFS specifies requirements for learning and development. The learning and development requirements cover:

- the areas of learning and development which must shape activities and experiences (educational programmes) for children in all early years settings
- the early learning goals that providers must help children work towards (the knowledge, skills and understanding children should have at the end of the academic year in which they turn five)
- assessment arrangements for measuring progress (and requirements for reporting

Four guiding principles should shape practice in early years settings. These are:

- every child is a **unique child**, who is constantly learning and can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured
- children learn to be strong and independent through positive relationships
- children learn and develop well in **enabling environments** with teaching and support from adults, who respond to their individual interests and needs and help them to build their learning over time. Children benefit from a strong partnership between practitioners and parents and/or carers.
- importance of **learning and development**. Children develop and learn at different rates

In planning and guiding what children learn, practitioners must reflect on the different rates at which children are developing and adjust their practice appropriately.

Three characteristics of effective teaching and learning are:

- playing and exploring children investigate and experience things, and 'have a go'
- active learning children concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties, and enjoy achievements
- **creating and thinking critically** children have and develop their own ideas, make links between ideas, and develop strategies for doing things

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Key Principles

Principle 1: 'The best for every child'

- High-quality early education.
- All children have equal opportunity to learning experiences, allowing them to succeed.
- Children's needs are quickly identified and provision is tailored to meet those specific needs.

Principle 2: 'High-quality care'

- A welcoming, nurturing environment is consistent for all individuals to feel that they are cared for and that they belong.
- High-quality care is consistent and all staff are responsive to individual needs.
- Children are taught to become independent in their self-care during their time in early years.
- Transitions are carefully planned and implemented as these are big steps for small children.

Principle 3 'The Curriculum – What we want the children to learn'

- The curriculum is carefully designed by the early years team and identifies what we want children to learn.
- It is an ambitious curriculum with careful sequencing to build learning over time.
- Learning is often driven by interests and plans are flexible.
- The curriculum ensures there is a depth to learning.
- Language and vocabulary are carefully planned throughout the curriculum.

Principle 4 'Pedagogy – Helping children to learn'

- The curriculum ensures that we use a mixture of different approaches to ensure all children can make progress.
- Well-planned, organised, enabling environments, indoors and outdoors, ensure high-quality play.
- Children learn through adults modelling, through observing each other and through guided learning and direct teaching.
- All adults understand child development and how their role is paramount to enabling effective learning; through facilitating, scaffolding
 and enhancing.

Principle 5 'Assessment: checking what children have learnt'	,

- Noticing what children can do and what they know
- Assessment is not about lots of data and evidence
- Understanding child development
- Accurate assessment highlights need
- Assessment does not take practitioners away from the children

Termly

Autumn (A), Spring Term (Sp) and Summer 1 (Su)

Children are given time to play, time to explore, time to practise and repeat, time to become secure in their learning, time to experience and achieve what we set out in our curriculum. Our EYFS team observe, scaffold and enhance learning.

<u>Autumn 1</u>

Statutory Reception Baseline is completed within the first 6 weeks and submitted (RBA)

A1 Week 4

In-school baselines are completed and inputted into Insight. PA/SR to analyse baseline data for monitoring report and on entry analysis.

In the key areas of communication and language, physical development (fine motor skills), literacy and mathematics, targeted assessment tools will be used to identify specific gaps and enable planning for intervention to take place.

A1/A2/Sp1/Sp2 Week 6

EYFS teachers meet to discuss each child's progress	EYFS ·	teachers	meet to	discuss	each	child's	progress
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□ What are their strenaths and what	are their barriers/areas to develo	p? Record discussion for accountability.

□ Identify children who require targeted assessment tools will be used to identify specific gaps and enable plan	ining for intervention to take
place. Plan further support/intervention to achieve GLD at the end of Reception. Plan intervention.	

□ F	Following these discussions, review the curriculum and teaching focus for the following term. This action will ensure we are focussing on
	areas that children need to develop and the barriers they have, which in turn will allow us to best meet the needs of our individual
	children.

Summer 2

Su 2 Week 2

Reception GLD data is completed and inputted into INSIGHT ready for submission to Trust and Derbyshire. PA/SR/RG to analyse data for monitoring report and to inform Action Planning for 2022-2023

Sum 2 Week 5

Transition discussions take place and children in need of intervention are identified with receiving teacher.

Use of Tapestry and Books

- Reception, Tapestry will be used to support parents as partners and to encourage them to share home learning. Photos may be shared via Tapestry of wow moments and children's experiences.
- Floor books will be used in Reception for RE to capture the learning of all children as a journey through their year.
- In Reception, 'My learning book' will be used to capture specific pieces of evidence and pupil voice.

Principle 6 'Self-regulation and executive function'

High Expectations

All day, every day in Reception, every child will be taught to, and then will be expected to

- follow instructions straight away
- look after themselves, everyone and everything
 - show respect and good manners at all times

All day, every day, every child in Reception will be taught resilience, patience, compassion, kindness, respect and communication skills to begin to understand how to self-regulate

On entry into the setting, every child in Reception will be taught to, and then be expected to independently

- hang their coat on their peg
- put their water bottle in the tray
- put their lunch box on the trolley (if necessary)

During circle times, every child in Reception will be taught to, and then be expected to

- sit on their carpet spot, with their legs crossed (when developmentally able)
 - look at the person who is speaking
 - put their hand up if they want to speak
 - keep their hands and feet to themselves
 - speak to their carpet partner when asked to do so
- return their attention to the adult leading the session when the adult counts '1, 2, 3 and back to me'

During learning challenge time and enhancement time, every child in Reception will be taught to, and then be expected to

- focus on their activity
- solve problems independently and ask for help when they need it
 - use an indoor, respectful voice
 - walk around the classroom safely
 - treat the equipment and resources safely and carefully
 - tidy their learning space before choosing a new activity
 - stop a learning activity when they hear the clap signal

During adult led sessions in Reception, every child will be taught to, and then be expected to

- collect their whiteboard and pen from the tray before finding their carpet spot

- put their whiteboard in front of them on the carpet
- put their pen at the top of their board
 - hold their pen using a comfortable pen grip
- put their lid on their pen when they are not using it
- rub their writing from their board using a rubber
- return their whiteboard, pen and rubber to the tray before choosing a learning challenge

Principle 7 'Partnership with parents'

- Partnership with parents is strong and respectful.
- Parents are given clear information about progress through parent meetings and end of year reports.
- Parents are supported with home learning ideas shared on Tapestry.

Our Curriculum – Educational Programmes - Everyday Experiences – Continuous Provision

-	What do we want our children to experience?	

What essential knowledge do our children need to prepare them for their future?

- What experiences and opportunities do our children need?
- How do we created the awe and wonder of the world they live in?
- How does our curriculum and our pedagogy set the foundations for them to become a successful learner at Ashleigh?
- How does our curriculum ensure horizontal, vertical and diagonal links with other areas of the curriculum across the EYFS and wider school?

Areas of Learning	Statutory Educational Programmes Summary (refer to Gov document above for full statements)	Everyday Experiences in Reception 'Continuous Provision'	Role of the Adult
Communication and Language - Listening, Attention and Understanding Speaking	'Back and forth' interactions Quantity and quality conversations Language-rich environment Adding new vocabulary Frequent story time Use and embed words in a range of contexts Story-telling and role play Share ideas Teacher modelling Sensitive questioning Rich range of vocabulary and language structures	Two or more part instructions Enquiry based questions – why? Wide range of vocabulary – evident on weekly planning Stories High-quality picture books Story sacks and books linked to small world play	Model active listening skills Explicitly extending vocabulary Expand on phrases Model language that promotes thinking and challenge Open ended questions Narrating actions and daily phrases Recast instead of correct ungrammatical errors Language interventions where necessary
Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Self-regulation Managing self Building relationships	Playing with friends Leading healthy and happy lives Strong, warm and supportive relationships Understand their own feelings and those of others Develop a positive sense of self Set simple goals Be confident in their own abilities To persist and to wait Look after their bodies Make good friendships, co-operate and resolve conflicts	Snack time – children independently get their snack serve and clear the space ready for the next child. Independently organise own belongings – water bottle, coat, hat Independently wash hands Continuous provision of social skill games Continuous provision of independent access to resources	Get to know the child's history and all about them during play TALK! Model patience, turn taking, sharing, relationship building, respect, manners, positive self-talk Use language of feelings, acknowledge feelings Use the WIN approach to develop managing self, self-regulation and identification of feelings
Physical Development -	Vital for all round development Happy, healthy and active lives Sensory exploration Strength, co-ordination and positional awareness	hand-eye coordination resources (throwing and catching, target practise)	Modelling and correcting pen grips Daily teaching of handwriting

Gross Motor Skills Fine Motor Skills	Core strength, stability, balance, spatial awareness, co-ordination and agility Hand-eye co-ordination Proficiency, control and confidence	Access to tools; using scissors accurately and safely, form letters correctly (handwriting policy) Access to activities to develop core strength – climbing, different levels, balancing activities Access to fine motor resources Daily activate	Initiate play which supports gross motor development Model and scaffold correct positioning when using fine motor development resources
Literacy - Comprehension Word Reading Writing	Life-long love of reading Language comprehension and word reading Adults talk about the world around them Adults read stories Phonics, decoding and word reading Spelling and handwriting Articulating ideas and structuring them in speech Writing	Reading corners Language rich – areas, equipment and drawers are labelled with photograph and text Writing opportunities inside and outside – range of writing tools and equipment	Teach daily Reading with daily phonic sessions Model correct phoneme pronunciation Ongoing phonic support through play e.g. can you see the t-r-ai-n? I wonder if you can pass me the r-e-d pencil crayon please? Modelling writing during play e.g. Let's make a list of ingredients for our cake S+L intervention Phonics intervention
Mathematics - Number Numerical Patterns	Count confidently Develop a deep understanding of numbers to 10 Relationship between numbers to 10 Patterns with numbers Secure base of knowledge and vocabulary Using manipulatives Spatial reasoning skills Patterns, relationships and connections	Open-ended access to counting resources, number cards	Daily mathematic opportunities e.g. number rhymes, counting children in the line, phrases such as 'I need one more brick on my tower' 'I wonder how many bricks are in my tower?' 'I wonder how I can find out how long my train track is?' 'I wonder which animals is the heaviest?' Modelling mathematical vocabulary
Understanding the World - Past and Present	To make sense of their physical world and their community Personal experiences Knowledge and sense of world around them Visits to parks, museums, libraries	Free-flow access to outside environment Regular forest school visits Regular welly walks and walks into the local area.	Teach new vocabulary Engage in discussion about the world around them Ensure texts are readily available

People, Cultures and Communities The Natural World	Meeting important members of society e.g. nurses, firefighters Listening to a broad range of texts Understanding the culturally, socially, technologically and ecologically diverse world Enriching and widening vocabulary		
Expressive Art and Design - Creating with Materials Being Imaginative and Expressive	Developing artistic and cultural awareness Regular opportunities to engage with the arts Wide range of media and materials Quality and variety of experiences Understanding, self-expression, vocabulary and communication skills Frequency, repetition and depth of experiences Interpreting and appreciating what they hear, respond to and observe	Colour mixing with paints Making playdoh Building with loose parts play equipment Ongoing art resources available for independent choice	Model, scaffold and support engagement in expressive art and design activities Ask questions to allow for discussion, analysis and interpretation of the arts Return to learnt skills and activities to provide depth to their learning Allow space and time for self-expression Ensure activities are wide-ranging Teach about artists

What does this look like across the year in Reception?

(linked to the Educational Programmes of Study summarised above and supported by the non-statutory Development Matters document)

	Advent 1	Advent 2	Lent 1	Lent 2	Pentecost 1	Pentecost 2	
Big Idea	Me and the World around me	Fantastic Festivals	People who help us	Spring has sprung	Animals and their	Babies Transport	
Role Play Focus-			reopie who help us	Spring has sprung			1
starting point (but often changes due to the interests of the children.)	The Home	-The Owl Tree	The Police Station	Garden Centre	Vets	The Beach	
	Myself and Welcome		Welcome and Birthday		brating and Gathering	Gathering and Growing	Goo
RE- based on Come and See	,	Welcome and birthday	Celebrating and gathering	Gathering and growing	Good News and Hinduism	Friends and Our World	
Experiences	Welly walks Walks around our local area Supporting children sense of their physical world and	Local area walk- supporting children to make sense of their physical world and their community. Visit to Glossop Garden Centre- Christmas displays Trip to the shops-	Visit the local Police Station	Visit the local library— the library is a place we can go to borrow books and listen to stories. It is	Special visitors- the chicks! explore the natural world and make observations	experiences increase their knowledge and sense of the world	
	Visit the Local Bread Shop			crucial for children to develop a life- long love of reading		around them and to enrich and widen vocabulary.	

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Speaking

- Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them.
 - Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences.
 - Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives.
 - Describe events in some detail.
- Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen.
 - Develop social phrases.
- Engage in story times stories used are recorded on weekly planning based on the Big Idea/Learning for the week.

 Some stories are chosen by the children during story times at the end of the day.
 - Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding stories used are recorded on weekly planning based on the Big Idea/Learning for the week
- Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words stories used are recorded on weekly planning based on the Big Idea/Learning for the week

	Use new vocabulary in different contexts					
	 Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Learn rhymes, poems and songs. Engage in non-fiction books - texts used are recorded on weekly planning based on the Big Idea/Learning for the 					
	l .	• Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary -				
	stories used are recorded on weekly planning based on the Big Idea/Learning for the weekCircle times to talkRetell stories by exactNon-fiction texts					
	about self, family, the world around them Rhymes and songs		repetition or in own words		Poetry	
Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Self-regulation Managing self Building	See themselves as a valuable individual. Build constructive and respectful relationships. Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally. Think about the perspectives of others. Manage their own needs Personal hygiene					
relationships	Picture News	Picture News	Picture News	Picture News	Picture News	Picture News
Physical Development - Gross Motor Skills Fine Motor Skills	Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: - rolling - crawling - walking - jumping - running - hopping - skipping - climbing • Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. • Develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. • Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons. • Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. • Combine different movements with ease and fluency. • Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group. • Develop overall body-strength, balance, co-ordination and agility. • Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming. • Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball. • Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient. • Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing: - regular physical activity - healthy eating - toothbrushing - sensible amounts of 'screen time' - having a good sleep routine - being a safe pedestrian					
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Literacy			ad individual letters by			

		at they can read short words made up of know				
Comprehension	 Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them. 					
Word Reading	 Read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme. 					
Writing	Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter–sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few					
	exception words. • Re-read these books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment. • Form lower-case and capital letters correctly. • Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s.					
		ds with known letter-sound correspondences u				
	Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.					
	Writing name	Writing captions	Writing sentences			
	Writing labels					
	Forming letters correctly					
	Letters and Sounds-					
	Phonic sessions	Letters and Sounds- Phonic sessions	Letters and Sounds- Phonic sessions			
	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading			
Mathematics		 Count objects, actions and sounds. 				
-		• Subitise.				
Number	• Link the	number symbol (numeral) with its cardinal num	nber value.			
Numerical	Count beyond ten.					
Patterns	 Compare numbers. Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers. 					
	• Explore the composition of numbers to 10.					
	 Automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0-5 and some to 10. 					
	 Select, rotate and manipulate shapes to develop spatial reasoning skills. 					
	 Compose and decompose shapes so 	o that children recognise a shape can have oth	ner shapes within it, just as numbers can.			
	Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.					
		 Compare length, weight and capacity. 				
	Numbers to 5	Number bonds within 5				
	Sorting	Numbers to 10				
	Comparing groups within 5	Comparing numbers within 10	Making simple patterns, Exploring more complex			
	One more	Addition to 10	patterns			
	One less	Number bonds to 10	Add by counting on			
	Time- my day	Shape and Space – spatial awareness, 2d and 3d shape.	Take away by counting back			
			Counting to 20			
	Methods:	Methods:	Doubling			
	Five frames	Ten frames	Halving and sharing			
	Number lines	Number lines to 10	Odds and evens			
		Tens frames	Length, height and distance			
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		Part-Part-Whole meth	Volume and capacity			

Understanding the World - Past and Present People, Cultures and Communities The Natural World	 Talk about members of their immediate family and community. Name and describe people who are familiar to them. Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. Draw information from a simple map. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Explore the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live. Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. 					
	All About Me Mini Topic – during Baseline period Map work - Local walk Autumn Harvest-	Guy Fawkes Remembrance Sunday Hinduism – Diwali Christmas – Christmas here and around the world	Winter Chinese New Year	Stories from around the world Easter – Visit to Church	Spring and Life cycles – woodlands and rainforests	Summer around the world
Expressive Art and Design - Creating with Materials Being Imaginative and Expressive	Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. • Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. • Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills. • Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses. • Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses. • Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. • Develop storylines in their pretend play. • Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. Self-portraits – paintings Collage and texture Painting with different tools Colour and shape					

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Statutory Early Learning Goals – Define the level of development children should be expected to have attained by the end of the EYFS and support teachers to make a holistic, best-fit judgement about a child's development, and their readiness for year 1.

Communication and Language

Listening, Attention and Understanding

- Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.
- Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.
- Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.

Speaking

- Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.
- Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.

	• Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	 Self-Regulation Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly. Set and work towards simple goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate. Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.
	 Managing Self Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly. Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.
	 Building Relationships Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others. Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers. Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.
Physical Development	 Gross Motor Skills Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others. Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing. Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing. Fine Motor Skills Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases. Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery. Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing
Literacy	 Comprehension Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary. Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories. Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.
	 Word Reading Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs. Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending. Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.

Writing

- Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.
- Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters.
- Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

Mathematics

Number

- Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number.
- Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5.
- Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.

Numerical Patterns

- Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system.
- Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity.
- Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.

Understanding the World

Past and Present

- Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.

People, Culture and Communities

- Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.
- Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.

The Natural World

• Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.

	 Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.
Expressive Arts and Design	 Creating with Materials Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. Share their creations, explaining the process they have used. Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.
	 Being Imaginative and Expressive Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher. Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music.