

## Curriculum Journey 2025-2026

### Subject: Early Childhood Development

### Exam board: Edexcel

Year 12	Half Term 1	Half term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half term 5	Half Term 6
Topic	Unit 3: Play and learning	Unit 3: Play and learning	Unit 1: Children's development	Unit 1: Children's development	Unit 1: Children's development	Unit 2: Keeping children safe
Vocabulary	Play based learning Schemas Exploratory play Imaginative play Child-initiated play Adult-led play Social development Cognitive development Gross motor skills Learning environment	Play based learning Schemas Exploratory play Imaginative play Child-initiated play Adult-led play Social development Cognitive development Gross motor skills Learning environment	Holistic development Milestones Gross motor skills Fine motor skills Cognitive development Language development Emotional development Social development Nature vs. nurture Attachment	Holistic development Milestones Gross motor skills Fine motor skills Cognitive development Language development Emotional development Social development Nature vs. nurture Attachment	Holistic development Milestones Gross motor skills Fine motor skills Cognitive development Language development Emotional development Social development Nature vs. nurture Attachment	Safeguarding Child protection Disclosure Designated safeguarding lead (DSL) Risk assessment Health and safety Confidentiality Policy and procedure DBS check First aid
Assessment	Coursework tasks	Coursework tasks	Practice exam questions Milestone x 1	Practice exam questions Milestone x 1	Formal external exam (Unit 1 paper)	Practice exam questions
Links to prior learning	English- report writing. Knowledge of PIES from KS4	English- report writing. Knowledge of PIES from KS4	Knowledge of PIES from Unit 3 Knowledge of nature vs. nurture	Knowledge of PIES from Unit 3 Knowledge of nature vs. nurture	All material from HT3-HT4.	Knowledge of core values from KS4 Health & Social Care



	Health & Social Care	Knowledge of creativity from Art/Design Technology.	from RE, Psychology and Science.	from RE, Psychology and Science.		Knowledge of illness, the body etc. from Science.
Catholic Social Teaching	The common good Creation and environment The dignity of work and participation	The common good Creation and environment The dignity of work and participation	Dignity Option for the poor The common good	Dignity Option for the poor The common good	Dignity Option for the poor The common good	Peace Dignity Solidarity
Careers and Personal Development links	Careers links: Children's Nurse Social worker Midwife Teacher Psychologist  Creativity Observation and reflective practice Time management Active listening	Careers links: Children's Nurse Social worker Midwife Teacher Psychologist  Creativity Observation and reflective practice Time management Active listening	Careers links: Children's Nurse Social worker Midwife Teacher Psychologist  Observational skills Empathy Communication Analytical skills	Careers links: Children's Nurse Social worker Midwife Teacher Psychologist  Observational skills Empathy Communication Analytical skills	Careers links: Children's Nurse Social worker Midwife Teacher Psychologist  Observational skills Empathy Communication Analytical skills	Careers links: Children's Nurse Social worker Midwife Teacher Psychologist  Responsibility Resilience Decision making Professionalism Teamwork