

### Development Matters Statements 40-60 months (Sept 2012)

<b>Personal and Social and Emotional Development</b>	<b>Making relationships</b>	<b>Self-confidence and self-awareness</b>	<b>Managing feelings and behaviour</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiates conversations, attends to and takes account of what others say.</li> <li>• Explains own knowledge and understanding, and asks appropriate questions of others.</li> <li>• Takes steps to resolve conflicts with other children, e.g. finding a compromise.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confident to speak to others about own needs, wants, interests and opinions.</li> <li>• Can describe self in positive terms and talk about abilities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understands that own actions affect other people, for example, becomes upset or tries to comfort another child when they realise they have upset them.</li> <li>• Aware of the boundaries set, and of behavioural expectations in the setting.</li> <li>• Beginning to be able to negotiate and solve problems without aggression, e.g. when someone has taken their toy.</li> </ul>
<b>Communication and Language</b>	<b>Listening and attention</b>	<b>Understanding</b>	<b>Speaking</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintains attention, concentrates and sits quietly during appropriate activity.</li> <li>• Two-channelled attention – can listen and do for short span.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responds to instructions involving a two-part sequence. Understands humour, e.g. nonsense rhymes, jokes.</li> <li>• Able to follow a story without pictures or props.</li> <li>• Listens and responds to ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends vocabulary, especially by grouping and naming, exploring the meaning and sounds of new words.</li> <li>• Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations.</li> <li>• Links statements and sticks to a main theme or intention.</li> <li>• Uses talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events.</li> <li>• Introduces a storyline or narrative into their play.</li> </ul>
<b>Physical Development</b>	<b>Moving and handling</b>		<b>Health and self-care</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experiments with different ways of moving.</li> <li>• Jumps off an object and lands appropriately.</li> <li>• Negotiates space successfully when playing racing and chasing games with other children, adjusting speed or changing direction to avoid obstacles.</li> <li>• Travels with confidence and skill around, under, over and through balancing and climbing equipment.</li> <li>• Shows increasing control over an object in pushing, patting, throwing, catching or kicking it.</li> <li>• Uses simple tools to effect changes to materials.</li> <li>• Handles tools, objects, construction and malleable materials safely and with increasing control.</li> <li>• Shows a preference for a dominant hand.</li> <li>• Begins to use anticlockwise movement and retrace vertical lines.</li> <li>• Begins to form recognisable letters.</li> <li>• Uses a pencil and holds it effectively to form recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eats a healthy range of foodstuffs and understands need for variety in food.</li> <li>• Usually dry and clean during the day.</li> <li>• Shows some understanding that good practices with regard to exercise, eating, sleeping and hygiene can contribute to good health.</li> <li>• Shows understanding of the need for safety when tackling new challenges, and considers and manages some risks.</li> <li>• Shows understanding of how to transport and store equipment safely.</li> <li>• Practices some appropriate safety measures without direct supervision.</li> </ul>
<b>Literacy</b>	<b>Reading</b>		<b>Writing</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continues a rhyming string.</li> <li>• Hears and says the initial sound in words.</li> <li>• Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them.</li> <li>• Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet.</li> <li>• Begins to read words and simple sentences.</li> <li>• Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of books.</li> <li>• Enjoys an increasing range of books.</li> <li>• Knows that information can be retrieved from books and computers.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gives meaning to marks they make as they draw, write and paint.</li> <li>• Begins to break the flow of speech into words.</li> <li>• Continues a rhyming string.</li> <li>• Hears and says the initial sound in words.</li> <li>• Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together.</li> <li>• Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet.</li> <li>• Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence.</li> <li>• Writes own name and other things such as labels, captions.</li> <li>• Attempts to write short sentences in meaningful contexts.</li> </ul>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>Numbers</b>		<b>Shape, space and measure</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognise some numerals of personal significance.</li> <li>• Recognises numerals 1 to 5.</li> <li>• Counts up to three or four objects by saying one number name for each item.</li> <li>• Counts actions or objects which cannot be moved.</li> <li>• Counts objects to 10, and beginning to count beyond 10.</li> <li>• Counts out up to six objects from a larger group.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning to use mathematical names for 'solid' 3D shapes and 'flat' 2D shapes, and mathematical terms to describe shapes.</li> <li>• Selects a particular named shape.</li> <li>• Can describe their relative position such as '<i>behind</i>' or '<i>next to</i>'.</li> <li>• Orders two or three items by length or height.</li> <li>• Orders two items by weight or capacity.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects the correct numeral to represent 1 to 5, then 1 to 10 objects.</li> <li>• Counts an irregular arrangement of up to ten objects.</li> <li>• Estimates how many objects they can see and checks by counting them.</li> <li>• Uses the language of 'more' and 'fewer' to compare two sets of objects.</li> <li>• Finds the total number of items in two groups by counting all of them.</li> <li>• Says the number that is one more than a given number.</li> <li>• Finds one more or one less from a group of up to five objects, then ten objects.</li> <li>• In practical activities and discussion, beginning to use the vocabulary involved in adding and subtracting.</li> <li>• Records, using marks that they can interpret and explain.</li> <li>• Begins to identify own mathematical problems based on own interests and fascinations.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses familiar objects and common shapes to create and recreate patterns and build models.</li> <li>• Uses everyday language related to time.</li> <li>• Beginning to use everyday language related to money.</li> <li>• Orders and sequences familiar events.</li> <li>• Measures short periods of time in simple ways.</li> </ul>		
<b>Understanding the world</b>	<b>People and communities</b>		<b>The world</b>		<b>Technology</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enjoys joining in with family customs and routines.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looks closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completes a simple program on a computer.</li> <li>• Uses ICT hardware to interact with age-appropriate computer software.</li> </ul>
<b>Expressive art and design</b>	<b>Exploring and using media and materials</b>			<b>Being imaginative</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begins to build a repertoire of songs and dances.</li> <li>• Explores the different sounds of instruments.</li> <li>• Explores what happens when they mix colours.</li> <li>• Experiments to create different textures.</li> <li>• Understands that different media can be combined to create new effects.</li> <li>• Manipulates materials to achieve a planned effect.</li> <li>• Constructs with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources.</li> <li>• Uses simple tools and techniques competently and appropriately.</li> <li>• Selects appropriate resources and adapts work where necessary.</li> <li>• Selects tools and techniques needed to shape, assemble and join materials they are using.</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create simple representations of events, people and objects.</li> <li>• Initiates new combinations of movement and gesture in order to express and respond to feelings, ideas and experiences.</li> <li>• Chooses particular colours to use for a purpose.</li> <li>• Introduces a storyline or narrative into their play.</li> <li>• Plays alongside other children who are engaged in the same theme.</li> <li>• Plays cooperatively as part of a group to develop and act out a narrative.</li> </ul>	