

Early Years Curriculum

Physical Development



What does Physical Development look like in Early Years at Humshaugh C of E First School?

At Humshaugh First School we want all of our children to live happy, healthy and active lives. Physical development is fundamental to their all-round development. We place a high importance on healthy bodies and healthy minds. Children have daily opportunities to develop their gross and fine motor skills, both inside and outside. These are taught through focussed sessions as well as opportunities to play and explore. We are really lucky to have access to large outdoor spaces. Children are observed and assessed regularly and staff provide resources and activities to enable them to progress further. We have a healthy snack each day and the children have the opportunity to try different foods and we discuss the importance of healthy choices. We work with parents and health visitors to support children in having a healthy lifestyle.

Our two year old Nursery children learn to explore the environment inside and outside the classroom. They have lots of opportunities to move, for example dancing, climbing, running, jumping. They enjoy starting to kick, throw and catch balls, build with large equipment and begin to use scooters and tricycles. The children develop their fine motor skills exploring different materials, mark making, painting and handling different tools. They begin to develop the skills they need and greater control of their large and small movements. We encourage them to develop their independence skills from a very early age, putting coats on themselves and learning how to use the toilet and wash hands. We talk to the children about healthy food and drink choices. The staff are there to support them with these skills and overcome any difficulties.

Our **3-4 year old Nursery** children continue to develop their physical skills through balancing, riding bikes and developing their ball skills. They build dens and obstacle courses and start to work together with each other. Children have access to the outdoor adventure playground where they can develop their gross motor skills and core strength. There are some activities and skills that are taught and some are self-chosen. Nursery children can join in with the Reception weekly PE lesson if they wish to. Adults introduce new vocabulary specific to the task and show them how to use different tools and resources effectively. All children within the EYFS have the opportunity to participate in dance activities such as Boogie Mites or Dancing Doodles. Children learn how to hold pencils, scissors and other equipment with increasing independence. They are also encouraged to be as independent as they can with dressing, going to the toilet and hand washing. Children are taught about healthy eating and exercise as well as keeping clean, through stories and practical activities. We talk to the children about the importance of healthy choices.

In **Reception** children refine the movement skills that they have already acquired. This is through play and exploration as well as more focussed activities. Children are encouraged to be highly active on a daily basis as well as receiving a structured PE lesson each week. In Reception children are taught specific movement skills and the knowledge and vocabulary to progress further. They are then given the opportunity to practise these skills. This enables them to develop their strength, coordination, balance and agility. Core strength is important for them to be able to develop their small motor skills. These are then developed through providing an increasing level of skill and challenge using different equipment and resources as well as the opportunity to explore the outdoor adventure playground. Children are taught how to form their letters correctly and they practise drawing and writing on a regular basis. Support and extra guidance is given to those who need it. Reception children discuss exercise, healthy eating, good dental hygiene, self-care and the importance of sleep. They will learn about being safe online and in everyday situations such as crossing the road. We value the importance of good manners at meal times and snack times, helping each other and waiting their turn.

Year group	Skills	Knowledge	Vocabulary	Resources Books
2 Year old	Clap and stamp to music.		Clap, stamp, march,	CD, MP3 Player
provision	Explore texture and moving parts		tap	Ribbons, instruments
	Pick up small items such as raisins or threads.			Loose parts, sensory materials, tweezers, spoons etc
	Turn pages one-by one.	Know how to turn one page at a time.		Books
	Build independently.			DOOKS
	Build a tower of five or six bricks.	Know how to hold different items, tools and equipment.	build, on, off, up, down	construction blocks
	Thread cotton reels, thread-able shapes or big beads.	Know how to build using bricks.		beads cotton reels thread-able shapes
	Develop manipulation and control- Hold a crayon and scribble freely.		in, through, pull	
	Make vertical, horizontal and circular marks.	Know that they can make different marks.	draw, paint, circle, line, dot	Access to a range of mark making resources
	Paint with wrist action, making dots.			paint brushes Rollers, sponges etc to
	Learn how to print with paint.			print.
	Be able to tear paper.			paper
	Explore different materials and tools		tear, paper	loop handle scissors
	Snip with scissors.	Know how to hold scissors and use scissors to snip.	Cut, snip	
	Use two containers to pour and fill.	Know how to use both hands.	Pour, fill up, tip out,	Containers in sand,

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		full, empty	water etc.
Explore playdough and clay.	Enjoy manipulating different sensory textures	Squeeze, squash, roll, flat	Playdough, clay
Complete inset jigsaw puzzles.	Know that they may need to use trial and error.	Understand: fit, turn it round, match	inset and simple puzzles
Walk, run, crawl, jump and climb	Develop awareness and control over own body	walk, run, jump, climb, crawl	outdoor play
Learn to kick, throw and catch balls		kick, throw, catch	Large and medium sized balls, bean bags.
Sit on a push-along wheeled toy, use a scooter or ride a tricycle.	Know what to do with different wheeled toys	ride, go, stop, turn	Push along toys, scooters, tricycle,
Begin to do things independently e.g. dressing and undressing and helping at snack times.	Know how to put a coat and wellies on.	put on, take off	
Learn to use the toilet with help and then independently.	Develop awareness when wet or soiled >awareness that they need to wee or poo.	wet, dry, dirty, wee, poo, toilet, help, wipe, wash hands, dry	
 HFS Curricular Goals for Rising 3s: Move freely in a range of ways including crawling, climbing and pedalling smaller toys. Hold a pencil with a digital grip and draw a face with one or two features. Stack 10 bricks, roll playdough into balls and sausages, snip with scissors. 			

Nursery	Use scissors to cut out.	Know how to hold a pair of scissors.		Loop scissors, sprung scissors
	Manipulate dough to make balls and snakes. Complete simple jigsaws that contain six to ten pieces.	Know how to roll dough with your hands Know how to produce different effects in dough	Roll, ball, sausage or snake, cut, press Edge, side, match, fit	Playdough, tools, cutters and loose parts jigsaw puzzles
	Draw a person with head, face and body. Draw circles and copy some shapes. Paint and draw freely.	Have awareness of different parts of their body.Know how to hold a pencil (digital grip developing to modified tripod grip).Know how to draw pre-writing shapes- with adult support.	Know the language of using the pre-writing Shapes e.g. top to bottom. High, low,	pencils crayons chalks, whiteboards & marker pens paint brushes, paint pre-writing shapes and instructions scooters, trikes, taxis with pedals and balance bikes
	Develop movement, balancing and bike skills.	Know how to make a bike move.	Ride, go ,stop, turn around, through	
	Skip, hop stand on one leg and hold a pose.	Developing ability to still their bodies and to balance	Skip, hop, freeze, stop, still	

Build structures with blocks, boxes or planks.			Tunnels, crates,
		Top, bottom, high,	Poddely, Trim Trail- to
		low	make obstacle courses,
Move over, under, through, around obstacles			large interlocking stars,
		across, under, over,	bricks and den making
		through, around	materials outdoors.
		behind, in front	Logs, wheelbarrows,
Draw, paint and make marks on large vertical			tyres.
surfaces.			Construction materials
			inside and outside,
			loose parts large and
			small, small world, junk
			modelling
Climb up steps, stairs or apparatus using			Adventure playground
alternative feet.			Stairs to library
Take part in movement play activities.		Up, down, top,	Loose parts to select
		bottom,	from-inside and outside.
		stop, go, gallop, skip,	
Develop kicking, throwing and catching skills.		hop, dance, jog,	
		follow, lead, copy,	Boogie Mites, Dancing
Use large -muscle movement to wave flags and		game	Doodles, instruments,
streamers.			scarves, steamers
		kick, throw, catch,	
Use and remember sequences and patterns of		aim , target	
movements which are related to music and			Different scissors
rhythm.	Know that exercise is good for you.	movements, dance	available/ depending on
	Understand and follow sequential instructions		ability & left/right
Make decisions about the best way to move	containing words such as 'before,' 'after,'	Copy, shake, tap	handed.
according to the space and resources.	'first,' 'last' and 'later.'	pattern	
Beachte to a state of a state of the			Pencil grips, triangular
Be able to select appropriate resources to carry			pencils.
out a task.			
Collaborate with others to manage large items			Knives/ forks/ other
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safely.		help, together, hold,	utensils.
Use one handed tools and equipment e.g snipping paper with scissors.	To know the purposes of different resources.	lift, push, pull, team work	
Use a comfortable pencil grip/ tripod grip when holding pencils and pens.	Know that you may need some-one else to help move something heavy.	snip, cut	
Begin to eat independently using a knife and fork.	Know how to hold paper in one hand and use the scissors with the other hand.	Pinch, flick,	Books about healthy choices, fiction and non-fiction books.
Show a preference for a dominant hand.	Know how to 'pinch and flick'.	Knife, fork, spoon	
Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed e.g. putting on coats and doing up			
zips, putting own wellies on.	Know a knife is for cutting and a fork is for eating.	Put on, take off, fasten, buttons, zip	
Be increasingly independent in meeting their own self care needs e.g. using the toilet and washing			
hands effectively.	Understand that they can do things for themselves and be proud of their achievements.	Clean, dirty, germs, healthy	
Make some healthy choices related to food, drink, activity and tooth brushing.	achievements.		
 HFS Curricular Goals for End of Nursery: Run smoothly negotiating space and travel confidently over, under, around 	Know the importance of good hygiene.		
 and through equipment Hold a pencil using a modified tripod grip and draw a person with head, body, legs 	Know that some foods are healthy and are good for you.		
 and arms Cut a straight line with scissors 			

Reception	Be able to track objects, pictures and texts with my finger from left-to-right.	Understand that writing and numbers go from left to right across a page.		Tracing activities join the dots etc. Copying horizontal patterns with blocks or objects.
	Cut on a line continuously. Copy triangles, squares and other geometric shapes.	Understand the concepts: other, way, direction, beginning, middle, end, before, after, order, curl/curly, above, below, across, dot, halfway, straight, like, alike, similar, wrong, apart, gap, space, best, worst, favourite,	Continue with language learnt in Nursery -connected to pre-writing shapes. E.g. top to bottom when drawing a line.	Scissors of different types and left and right handed.
	Complete jigsaws with ten pieces or more. Thread needles, sew big stitches and make pom- poms. Trace with detail.		Match, turn it round, join, corner, edge Sew, thread, push, pull Follow, lines	Shapes Jigsaws Large sewing needles, thread and cloth or boards to sew, wool and pom-pom cardcircles.
	Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: - rolling - crawling - walking - jumping - running - hopping - skipping - climbing	Understand how to leave a space between themselves and others, Know how to move in lots of different ways.	Space, stop, go, partner, team work, balance, walk, stroll, march, roll creep, run, jog, jump, hop, , crawl, slither, skip, climb	Tracing activities. Dancing Doodles PE in hall or outdoor Adventure Playground

Be able to lift, carry, push, pull construct, stack climb using a range of resources.	,		Large loose parts e.g. crates, tyres, planks, tube, tunnels, Poddley, Trim Trail, obstacle courses. Two-wheeled balance bikes and pedal trikes and taxis,
Progress towards a more fluent style of moving with developing control and grace by practising and refining skills.			PE, Outdoor play, Adventure playground
Develop their small motor skills so that they ca use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Use their core muscle strength to achieve a goo posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the	od		Pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons. Needles, threads, hammers and nails. Construction kits Malleable materials Tweezers, Spray bottles Finger gym activities, Dough Disco
floor. Combine different movements with ease and	Know what good sitting looks like.	Cross legs, feet on the floor, still, sit up	Chairs and tables of different sizes.
fluency e.g. complete an obstacle course that demands a range of movements. Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and a group.		smartly	Adventure Playground Trim Trail, tunnels, obstacle courses. large loose parts
Be able to change speed and direction.	Know how to stop and go, control their own speed and change direction.	Fast, slow, speed, change, direction	PE, organised games e.g. follow my leader and races.

Develop overall body-strength, balance, coordination and agility.			
Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming.	Know how to combine a range of movements.	Aim, target, throw, catch, pass, kick	Different sized balls, beanbags Resources to hit, bat a
Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball.			ball
Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.	Know how to hold a pencil correctly and form letters correctly.	Know RWI handwriting rhymes.	Dancing Doodles, sensory writing activities,
Further develop the skills they need to manage the school day successfully: • lining up and queuing • mealtimes • personal hygiene.	Know the importance of doing all these things at school and why we do them.		Golden rules, school routines Road map on big yard
 HFS Curricular Goals for End of Reception: Move energetically, showing, strength, balance and coordination safely Use a pencil effectively using the correct pencil grip, correctly forming most 	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, healthy, clean, active, exercise.	School visits in the community. Fiction and non-fiction books about healthy
 Use a range of small tools competently including scissors and cutlery. 	safe pedestrian.		eating and lifestyle.

Physical Development ELG

ELG: Gross Motor Skills:

Children at the expected level of development will:

- 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.

ELG: ELG: Fine Motor Skills:

Children at the expected level of development will:

- 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, paint brushes and cutlery;
- Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.