

Nursery Personal, Social and Emotional Development progression

| Self-regulation | | | | | |
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| Baseline | Autumn | Spring | Summer | | |
| Express a range of | Talk about and manage their | Talk about feelings using words like 'happy', | Manage their feelings and talk about how they can | | |
| emotions. | emotions. | 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried' and talk about why | overcome them independently. | | |
| | | they are feeling the way that they are. | | | |
| | Safely explore emotions beyond their | Understand how others might be feeling and | Use different emotions in play with others and | | |
| | normal range through play and | why they are showing this emotion. | understand why they are using it in their play. | | |
| | stories. | | | | |
| | Show 'effortful control'. For example, | Increasingly beginning to follow rules, | Follow nursery rules and know why they are important | | |
| | waiting for a turn and resisting the | understanding why they are important. | without adult supporting them. | | |
| | strong impulse to grab what they | | | | |
| | want or push their way to the front | They do not always need an adult to remind | | | |
| | (starting to show effortful control – | them of a rule to keep themself and their | | | |
| | and be aware of rules/boundaries) | friends safe and happy. | | | |

| Managing self | | | | | |
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| With support they can hang their coat up and go to the toilet when they need to. | Feel confident when taken out around the school and enjoy exploring new places with school adults. | Developing their sense of responsibility and membership of a community. They can talk about people who they have met in their community. | Responsible and confident to be part of their community. They may have joined a group in the community such as a dance, football or swimming group. They are ready for new experiences like starting a new school year. | | |
| | Feel confident asking adults for help. Enjoy a sense of belonging through being involved in daily tasks. | Becoming increasingly independent in meeting own care needs, e.g. brushing teeth, using the toilet, washing & drying hands | Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity & tooth brushing. | | |



| Building relationships | | | | | |
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| I choose to play with | Play with increasing confidence on | Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people | Able to be assertive when considering other children's | | |
| different activities with | their own and with other child - | and friends, in the safe context of their nursery | wants and interests. | | |
| support. | because they know adults are nearby | environment. | | | |
| | and available. | | | | |
| | | Show more confidence in new social situations. | Talk honestly about what they think and feel with | | |
| | | | adults and friends and act on this appropriately. | | |
| | Beginning to develop friendships with | Starting to play with one or more other | Play in a group with friends, and make up ideas of | | |
| | other children. | children, extending and elaborating their play | things to do and games to play independently. | | |
| | | ideas for a short period of 5 minutes | | | |
| | Beginning to notice and ask questions | Developing appropriate ways of being assertive. | Begin to find solutions to quarrels and rivalries | | |
| | about differences, such as skin colour, | | independently. | | |
| | types of hair, gender, special needs | Talk with others to solve conflicts with support | | | |
| | and disabilities, and notice these | from adults. | | | |
| | features in their friends. | | | | |