Primary Curriculum Overview

Our primary curriculum aims to ensure our pupils:

- develop a solid knowledge for the Chinese language and the culture.
- develop a strong lifelong language skill (listening, speaking, reading and writing) in Mandarin, which will
 enable them to have competitive advantage in the world of business as China's booming economy continues
 to grow.
- foster their curiosity and deepen their understanding of the world.

Units/Topics

- 1. Knowledge about language 有关语言的学问
- 2. China, Chinese and saying hello 中国,中文,学说"你好"
- 3. About me: name and questions 自我介绍:姓名及提问
- 4. Parts of the body 身体的各个部位
- 5. Numbers and age 1-10 数字及年龄(一到十)
- 6. Numbers 11-100 and measure words 数字和量词(十一到九十九)
- 7. Family 家庭
- 8. Countries and colours 国家和颜色
- 9. Pets and Animals 宠物和动物
- 10. Food and drink 食品和饮料
- 11. Time sun moon and stars 时间- 日,月,和星期
- 12. Time and timetables 时间和日程表
- 13. Colours 颜色
- 14. Going to Places 参观

Year 2/3 (First year of learning)

Unit	Autumn1	Autumn2
Overview		
Context & Topics	 Establishing Mandarin Knowledge about China Basic knowledge about Pinyin Greetings Mid-Autumn festival 	 Numbers and characters Numbers Characters-pictograph Christmas celebration in China
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: I, you, hello teacher, goodbye, my name is, what's your name? thank you, moon, big and small Grammar: to use my name is (Wo jiao) sentence pattern. Listening: to understand classroom instructions in Mandarin Speaking: to say simple greetings in Mandarin Reading: to read simple pictogram words in Chinese characters Writing: to experiment with writing simple pictograms Phonics: to begin to understand that spoken Mandarin has four tones Context and Cultural understanding: to know how Chinese people celebrate Mid-Autumn festival and to understand the Houyi story, to understand that characters are a significant feature of Chinese language. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: numbers 1-10 Listening: to understand numbers 1-10, to listen to the Little Red Riding Hood story related to numbers in Mandarin. Speaking: to say numbers according to the number of objects. Reading: to recognise numbers 1-10 in Chinese characters. Writing: to write 1-10 in Chinese characters. Phonics: yi-ee, tones on numbers in Pinyin. Context & Cultural understanding: Chinese number gestures and Chinese lucky numbers, compare how people celebrate Christmas in the UK and China.
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Starting to listen and respond to familiar spoken words and phrases Starting to communicate with others using simple words, phrases and some short sentences Recognises the meaning of a small number of foundational pictograms Appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language. Recognises and understands some familiar written words and phrases in pinyin. Shows awareness of sound-spelling links in pinyin. Seeks clarification and help.

Unit Overview	Spring 1	Spring 2
Context & Topics	Chinese New Year Chinese New Year tradition and customs Chinese Zodiac story Zodiac animals	My family Family members Introducing my family Chinese family culture
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: horse, sheep, dragon, rabbit, pig, snake, monkey, chicken, cow, tiger, bird, dog, cat Grammar: to use sentence pattern: "This is" in Mandarin and to ask 'What is this?' Listening: to listen to Chinese animal poems with onomatopoeic sounds; to understand words for Chinese zodiac animals Speaking: to say animals in Mandarin Reading: to recognise some animals in characters Writing: to write simple animal characters 马-horse, 羊-sheep, 牛-ox Phonics: a – ma (horse) with four tones, (link same phonics to English: a,b, p m f d t n l g k h/ch, sh/an) Context & Cultural understanding: how do people celebrate Chinese New Year, the significance of different animals in the Chinese Zodiac and the story of the great race. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: mum, dad, big brother, little brother, big sister, little sister, I, you, he/she, is that correct? (对不对), who is this? Grammar: to use 'de' for belonging Listening: to understand the family members Speaking: to talk about the family members Reading: to read the pinyin for family members Writing: to write the pinyin for family members Phonics: to say the phonics a and an Context & Cultural understanding: to understand a range of different family structures in China and the UK
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Applies phonic knowledge to support writing in pinyin where graphemes are similar to those in English (a/bpmfdtnlgkh/chsh/an) Seeks clarification and help 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language Recognises and understands some familiar written words and phrases in pinyin Shows awareness of sound-spelling links in pinyin Seeks clarification and help

Unit	Summer 1	Summer 2
Overview		
Context & Topic	My body Body parts Songs	 My project Revision End of year assessment Cultural project
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: eyes, ears, nose, hair, mouth Grammar: to use 'you' for to have and 'mei you' for not to have Listening: to understand what body parts I have/don't have Speaking: to say what I have/don't have Reading: to read the words for body parts in pinyin Writing: to write what I have/don't have in pinyin Phonics: ou – tou, kou, you 	What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: to revise all key vocabulary learned so far Listening: to understand questions, key words learned. Speaking: to have a simple conversation on the topics learned Reading: to read text in pinyin and some characters Writing: to write some simple characters 日-son,月-moon,山-mountain,川-river,人-person,大-big,天-sky,木-tree,马-horse,羊-sheep,牛-ox,Number 1-10
NC Link	How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Listens for specific words and phrases Begins to distinguish between the four tones	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Engage in conversations; ask and answer questions; Develop accurate pronunciation and intonation. Speaking in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures.

Year 3/4 (second year of learning)

Unit	Autumn1	Autumn2
Overview		
Context & Topics	How old are you? Numbers 1-100 How old are you? Pinyin and four tones	 Special days Months and dates Key words for Mid-Autumn festival Christmas celebration Christmas song
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: numbers 1-100 in Mandarin, years old, you, I, how many Grammar: to use sentence pattern "I amyears old" Listening: to understand the question "How old are you"; to understand other people's age Speaking: to say how old I am and to say how old other people are. Reading: to find out different people's ages from different short sentences Writing: to write \(\Pi\)-how many \(\beta\)-years old, numbers 1-20 Phonics: vowels- a o e i u \(\beta\) Context & Cultural understanding: to begin to know Chinese special birthdays and how to celebrate special birthdays. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: numbers 1-12, 12 months, date, month, today, birthday, Christmas, New Year, festival, Mid-Autumn Festival, Dragon Boat Festival Grammar: to use 几 to form questions (to ask the date) Listening: to be able to identify different dates in Mandarin Speaking: to ask and answer what day is it? Reading: to recognise dates in Chinese characters Writing: to write month, day and birthday in Chinese characters Phonics: b p m f d t n l g k h j q x Context & Cultural understanding: compare and contrast different festivals in the UK and in China
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Reads and understands familiar written words, phrases and short texts made of simple sentences in pinyin Communicates with others using a wider range of words, phrases and short sentences 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language. Read aloud with accurate pronunciation Applies phonic knowledge to support writing in pinyin.

	Spring 1	Spring 2
Context & Topics	My pet Pet and animals Days of the week Chinese New Year celebration	My favourite food and drink Chinese food and western food Chinese food culture Food and drink items
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, I saw, turtle, hamster, parrot Grammar: to use a sentence pattern of Time + I saw + what Listening: to understand the sequence of a short story in Mandarin Speaking: to say what I saw on different days of the week Reading: to read the sentences with the time Writing: to write what I saw on different days Phonics: zh ch sh r Context & Cultural understanding: to understand the meaning of different animals in China, to understand how Chinese New Year is celebrated. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: dumplings, noodles, rice, water, milk, juice burger and chocolate, I eatI drink Grammar: to use the sentence pattern "to eat" and "to drink" Listening: to understand "what do you drink/eat?" in Mandarin Speaking: to say what different food people are eating Reading: to recognise different foods in a sentence and on a shopping list Writing: to be able to write down some food and drink items 米-rice, 水-water, 吃-to eat Phonics: z c s y w Context & Cultural understanding: to begin to understand Chinese food culture.
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Applies phonic knowledge of pinyin to support reading and reads words, phrases and sentences aloud with increasingly accurate pronunciation. Seeks clarification and help 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Explores the patterns and sounds of the language to help develop accurate pronunciation and intonation Communicates with others using a wider range of words, phrases and short sentences

Unit Overview	Summer 1	Summer 2
Context & Topic	Where are you from? Countries. Nationalities Colours	 Revision End of year assessment Cultural project
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: China, UK, go to, America, France, India, Pakistan, red, yellow, blue, green, white, black Grammar: to use the sentence for 'what's your nationality? and I am' Listening: to be able to identify where people are from Speaking: to say my nationality Reading: to read the sentences for where people are from. Writing: to write China, UK 中国, 英国 Phonics: an, en, in Context & Cultural understanding: to understand a wider world and culture difference between China and the UK; to recognise different national flags 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: to revise all key vocabulary learned so far Listening: to understand questions, key words learned. Speaking: to have a simple conversation on the topics learned Reading: to read text in pinyin and some characters Writing: to write simple characters learned.
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Listens for specific phonemes, words and phrases Communicates by asking and answering a wider range of questions and presenting short pieces of information 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Engages in conversations; asks and answers questions; Develops accurate pronunciation and intonation. Speaking in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures.

Year 4/5 (third year of learning)

Unit Overview	Autumn1	Autumn2
Context & Topic	Investigating Chinese characters History of Chinese characters Radicals Strokes Classroom objects	 My birthday Key words and sentences for Mid-Autumn festival Festivals and celebrations in China Months and dates
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: hello teacher, goodbye, thank you, please sit down, please stand up, correct, incorrect, textbook, bag, pen, book bag, book, ruler, school, look, can you repeat that please? Grammar: to begin using "de" possessive pattern for belongings Listening: to understand what classroom objects need to be used in lessons Speaking: to be able to say what they have in their book bag Reading: to recognise classroom objects in pinyin Writing: to make labels for the school environment Phonics: de- dur, an – kan, zhi, chi, shi Context & Cultural understanding: to begin to understand school life in China, to understand ideograph in Chinese characters and the definition of radicals and strokes 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: moon, moon cake, eat, happy, Moon festival, Christmas, birthday, year, month, date, number 1-100 Grammar- to understand the link between numbers and dates. Listening: to understand key words for Mid-Autumn Festival, to understand questions about birthday and dates. Speaking: to ask and answer questions about birthdays Reading: to be able to read months and dates, numbers 1-100 in characters Writing: to write months, dates, birthday and numbers 1-100 Context & Cultural understanding: investigate the main traditional festivals: Spring Festival (incl lantern Festival), Mid-Autumn, Dragon Boat, Qingming, Double 7th
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Communicates with others using a wider range of words, phrases and short sentences Engages in conversations; asks and answers questions; expresses opinions and responds to those of others 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Listens for specific phonemes, words and phrases Appreciates stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language Reads carefully and shows understanding of words, phrases and simple writing

Unit Overview	Spring 1	Spring 2
Context & Topics	 More family members and animals Pet and animals More family members Chinese New Year traditions and customs 	 More body parts and food and drink items. More parts of the body Food and drink items Ordering food in a Chinese restaurant
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake, horse, goat, monkey, chicken, dog, pig, cat, fish, bird, parrot, hamster, turtle, to have, not to have, question word what, grandpa, granny, aunty, uncle, Happy New Year, Spring Festival, dumpling, dragon Dance, lion dance, red envelope, firework, firecracker Grammar: to use 'to have' and 'not to have', to use question word 'what' to ask 'what pets/animals do you have?'; to use question word 'how many' to ask 'how many people are in your family'. Listening: to understand Chinese New Year vocabulary, to understand the question 'how many people are in your family?' and 'what pets/animals do you have?', 'I have/don't have Speaking: to use the greeting Happy New Year, to say Chinese New Year related vocabulary, to talk about pets and animals, to talk about what family members I have/don't have Reading: to read key Chinese New Year vocabulary, key characters for animals and family members. Writing: to write key characters of Chinese New Year vocabulary (year 年, good 好, to have 有), pets/animals (ox 牛, horse 马, goat 羊, and family member (grandpa 爷). Context & Cultural understanding: to know more about Chinese culture in how Chinese New Year is celebrated, to understand Chinese family structures and traditions. 	What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: eye, nose, mouth, ear, head, shoulder, knee, foot, hair, hand, long, short, measure words, dumpling, steamed bun, bread, egg, cooked rice, fruit, apple, water, tea, coffee, milk, juice, menu, main food, starter, desert, drink, to eat, to drink Grammar: to use question word 'what' to form and answer questions, to use pattern 'number + measure word + body parts' Listening: to understand when people ask "what do you drink/eat?" and the answers, to understand the number of body parts. Speaking: to talk about food and drink and give opinions on them, to express the numbers of body parts you have. Reading: to recognise different food and drink in a sentence and on a shopping list, to recognise some body parts. Writing: To write head 头,eye 目,ear 耳,hand 手, to eat 吃,rice 米,water 水,fruit 水果 Context & Cultural understanding: To understand more about Chinese food culture.
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Listens attentively and understands spoken and some written language Understands basic grammar of using question words to ask questions and answer questions. Engages in conversations, asks and answers questions. Writes some characters in the correct stroke order. Appreciates Chinese culture. Broadens their vocabulary. Writes some words from memory. 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Listens attentively and understands spoken and some written language. Understands basic grammar of using question words to ask questions and answer questions. Engages in conversations, asks and answers questions. Writes some characters in the correct stroke order. Appreciates Chinese culture. Broadens their vocabulary. Writes some words from memory.

Unit Overview	Summer 1	Summer 2
Context & Topic	Where I live Places in town Places to visit Countries. Nationalities Colours	Revision and assessment Revision End of year assessment Cultural project
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: places in town, countries, today, tomorrow, weekend, colours Grammar: to use question words "which" 'where' Listening: to understand where people are at /going to Speaking: to say where I am and where I am going to Reading: to read the sentences for where someone is located and where someone will go to Writing: to write simple characters for places in town. Context & Cultural understanding: introduce and use Google images to find pictures of Chinese shops/supermarkets, schools, bus stops, parks, home. Monkey King and lady White Snake are very famous characters in Chinese traditional stories. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: to revise all key vocabulary learned so far Listening: to understand questions and key words learned Speaking: to have a simple conversation on the topics learned Reading: to read key words learned and to extract information from a short passage Writing: to write simple characters learned
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Communicates by asking and answering a wider range of questions and presenting short pieces of information Speaks in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Engages in conversations, asks and answers questions Develops accurate pronunciation and intonation. Speaks in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures.

Year 4/5 (Fourth year of learning)

Unit Overview	Autumn1	Autumn2
Context & Topics	My feelings Countries Places Feelings	My daily routine. Days of the week Daily routine Telling time Mid-Autumn festival
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: China, UK, France, America, India, Pakistan, school, shop, home, toilet, restaurant, happy, tired, sad, hurt Grammar: to use 'where' and 'how' to ask questions like where do you live? how are you? Listening: to understand longer questions about nationalities, places and feelings Speaking: to give longer answers to simple questions with correct pronunciation, to express feelings such as 'my tummy hurts.' Reading: to recognise countries and places in Chinese characters. Writing: to write up to 12 basic characters and countries: '中国' '英国' '美国, 法国, 公园, 家 Context & Cultural understanding: to be able to appreciate the difference between countries. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: Monday to Sunday, o'clock, go to school, get up, eat, go home, go to bed, recap: day, month, moon, mid-autumn festival, Grammar: to use the sentence pattern for what time it is now, the use of 'er' and 'liang'. Listening: to understand the question and answer for what time it is, to understand daily routine. Speaking: to ask and answer 'what time is it now?' to talk about daily routine. Reading: to read the time and daily activities in Chinese characters Writing: to write the time in Chinese characters Context & Cultural understanding: to be able to retell the story of Chang e; compare with the Mid-autumn festival and Easter, negative connotation of gifting clocks
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Reads and understands familiar written words, phrases and short texts made of simple sentences. Communicates with others using a wider range of words, phrases and short sentences. 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Listens for specific phonemes, words and phrases Reads carefully and shows understanding of words, phrases and simple writing

Unit	Spring 1	Spring 2
Overview Context & Topics Skills:	 What I like More pet and animals Food and drink (more in depth) Chinese New Year traditions and celebration. What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: revise all the vocabulary for pets and animals and food and drink. New vocabulary (chocolate, apple, ice cream). Grammar: to use two different measure words to describe pets and animals, to express opinions on different food and drinks using 	 My friends Describing people Body parts Colours What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: tall, short, thin, fat, beautiful, handsome, big, small, good-looking. Revise body parts, colours Grammar: to use a range of adjectives to describe a person, to use bu to form the negative
	like or dislike. Listening: to understand questions requiring information related to measure words, for example: 'how many rabbits do you have?' Speaking: to describe how many of each animal you or others have, to say like or dislike certain food and drinks. Reading: to recognise some radicals on characters and to read key words for animals in Chinese characters. Writing: to write some characters for pets: '猫''狗''鱼', food and drink '吃''水果''包子''饺子'。 Context & Cultural understanding: to understand how Chinese New Year is celebrated, able to retrieve facts about customs and celebrations of Chinese New Year from previous learnings.	 Listening: to understand short descriptive sentences Speaking: to generate a range of descriptive sentences describing a person's appearance Reading: to read some key words for adjectives in Chinese characters Writing: to write some simple characters for adjectives Context & Cultural understanding: to begin to know some Chinese celebrities and be able to describe the key characters in Chinese opera and how they are portrayed through masks/costumes
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Engages in conversations, asks and answers questions, expresses opinions and responds to those of others, seeks clarification and help Presents ideas and information orally to a range of audiences 	How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Describes people, places, things and actions orally and in writing

Unit Overview	Summer 1	Summer 2
Context & Topic	Visting China Family members Famous places in China	RevisionEnd of year assessmentCultural project
Skills:	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: revise all vocabulary previously learned for family members and measure words. Famous places in China: 'Beijing' 'Shanghai' 'Xian' 'Hong Kong' 'Great wall of China' ' Forbidden city' 'Terracotta Army'. Grammar: use connectives '和 'to describe family members. Speaking: to say what places in China you want to go to, to describe family members using correct measure words. Reading: to read the family members in Chinese characters, to recognise different places in Chinese characters. Writing: to write family members: '爸爸' '妈妈' '哥哥' '姐姐"弟弟' '妹妹' '爷爷, 奶奶, 家人' Beijing, Shanghai. Context & Cultural understanding: to understand a wider world and culture difference between China and the UK, to understand Chinese family structure, to know famous places in China. 	 What are the specific end-points for the unit? Vocabulary: to revise all key vocabulary learned so far Listening: to understand questions, key words learned. Speaking: to have a simple conversation on the topics learned Reading: to read text in pinyin and some characters Writing: to write simple characters learned
NC Link	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Reads carefully and shows understanding of words, phrases and simple writing. Broaden their vocabulary from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly. 	 How does this link to NC expectations – or exceed Engages in conversations, asks and answers questions Develops accurate pronunciation and intonation. Speaks in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures.