

## Little Squirrels and Ladybird's Unit of Inquiry Planner

Class: Little squirrels and Ladybirds		Year Group: EYFS		Academic Year: 2025-2026		
Theme	<b>Humankind and Ourselves</b>	Culture and Diversity	Community and Citizenship	Exploration and Discovery	Expression and Creativity	Humankind and <b>Ourselves</b>
	Autumn 1 (7 weeks)	Autumn 2 (7 weeks)	Spring 1 (6 weeks)	Spring 2 (6 weeks)	Summer 1 (5 weeks)	Summer 2 (7 weeks)
Summary	Inquiry into the laws governing the natural world, the natural realm (encompassing physical aspects).	Inquiry into understanding human connections spanning families and friends.	Inquiry into the ethical considerations surrounding rights and obligations in the endeavours to equitably distribute limited resources among humans.	Inquiry into our sense of location within space and time and individual life narratives and the concept of home.	Inquiry into the methods by which we uncover and convey thoughts and emotions.	Inquiry into one's self, examining beliefs and values, assessing personal well-being encompassing physical aspects.
Inquiry Title	I wonder what makes us special...	I wonder how we celebrate...	I wonder how we can help..	I wonder what will happen...	I wonder what I can make...	I wonder what's next...
Key Concepts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflection</li> <li>• Connection</li> <li>• Causation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perspective</li> <li>• Form</li> <li>• Causation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responsibility</li> <li>• Form</li> <li>• Reflection</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Function</li> <li>• Change</li> <li>• Form</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change</li> <li>• Connection</li> <li>• Function</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responsibility</li> <li>• Perspective</li> <li>• Change</li> </ul>
Related Concepts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relationships</li> <li>• identity</li> <li>• Family</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Belief</li> <li>• Culture</li> <li>• tradition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• community</li> <li>• choice</li> <li>• cooperation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• prediction</li> <li>• discovery</li> <li>• exploration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• creation/creativity</li> <li>• imagination</li> <li>• ideas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• change</li> <li>• growth</li> <li>• well-being</li> </ul>
Lines of Inquiry	My identity, what makes me, me?	What do we believe is special in our own families?	How does your choice show you care?	How can discovery help us learn about the world?	We use our creativity to make things new and unique	Change helps us grow and discover new things.

	<p>My family are special to me.</p> <p>Who do we have relationships with?</p>	<p>Every culture has special days.</p> <p>What traditions do you have?</p>	<p>How does co-operation help us work and play together?</p> <p>Who helps us in the community?</p>	<p>Can you predict what will happen?</p> <p>What can we find out by exploring?</p>	<p>Our imagination helps bring our ideas to life.</p> <p>We can use our ideas to build and create.</p>	<p>Growth helps us get ready for what's next.</p> <p>It's important we look after our wellbeing</p>
Core Text	<p>Only one you – Linda Kranz  Elmer – David Mckee  I like myself – Karen Beaumont  All are welcome – Alexandra Penfold  You matter – Christian Robinson  Guess how much I love you? - Sam McBratney  Love makes a family – Sophie Beer</p>	<p>Maisys birthday party – Lucy Cousins  Spots birthday party – Eric Hill  Let's Celebrate: Special Days Around the World by Kate DePalma &amp; Martina Peluso  Lighting a Lamp: A Diwali Story by Jonny Zucker &amp; Jan Barger Cohen  Twinkly Twinkly Nativity  Sam Taplin &amp; Róisín Hahessy</p>	<p>Kindness makes us strong- Sophie Beer  The selfish crocodile- Faustin Charles  Spot bakes a cake- Eric Hill  Stuck- by Oliver Jeffers.  Mine! by Sue Heap and Alex Ayliffe  Duck in the Truck” by Jez Alborough  Whose Hat is This? by Sharon Katz  Cooper</p>	<p>Walking through the Jungle - Debbie Harter  Tidy by Emily Gravett  The Curious Garden by Peter Brown  What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? by Steve Jenkins  Oi! Frog” by Kes Gray &amp; Jim Field  We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen &amp; Helen Oxenbury  Maisy's Nature Walk by Lucy Cousins  On the Way Home” by Jill Murphy</p>	<p>What do you do with an idea? Kobi Yamada  Not a Box” by Antoinette Portis  Beautiful Oops! by Barney Saltzberg  This Is Not My Hat by Jon Klassen  If I Built a House and If I Built a Car by Chris Van Dusen</p>	<p>The Koala Who Could by Rachel Bright &amp; Jim Field  Little Owl's First Day by Debi Gliori &amp; Alison Brown  A House for Hermit Crab by Eric Carle  The Invisible String by Patrice Karst  Oh, the Places You'll Go! by Dr. Seuss  Titch by Pat Hutchins  How Do You Feel? by Anthony Browne  I Am Yoga by Susan Verde &amp; Peter H. Reynolds</p>

Action	Make an all about me book	Singing in the Nativity	Fire engine visit Fund raising for a homeless charity (Kas)	Visit to Ralphs Wood (Nature walk)	Ralphs Wood – Den making	
Interleaving Subjects						
Reception Discrete Subjects	Phonics, Maths, RE, Jigsaw	Phonics, Maths, RE, Jigsaw	Phonics, Maths, RE, Jigsaw	Phonics, Maths, RE, Jigsaw	Phonics, Maths, RE, Jigsaw	Phonics, Maths, RE, Jigsaw
PSHE Reception	Jigsaw – Being me	Jigsaw – Celebrating differences	Jigsaw – Dreams and goals	Jigsaw – Healthy me	Jigsaw – Relationships	Jigsaw – Changing me

RE Reception	AMV Unit 1: Special me Who are we?	UC Incarnation: Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?	AMV Unit 3: Special places Church building & synagogue	UC Salvation: Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?	UC Creation: Why is the word God so important to Christians?	AMV Unit 6: Special stories Jesus
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