

Early Years Outcomes

The main Early Years Outcomes covered in the Gymnastics units are:

- \cdot Initiates new combinations of movement and gesture in order to express and respond to feelings, ideas and experiences. (EAD BI 40-60)
- Experiments with different ways of moving. (PD M&H 40-60)
- Jumps off an object and lands appropriately. (PD M&H 40-60)
- Travels with confidence and skill around, under, over and through balancing and climbing equipment. (PD M&H 40-60)

KS1 National Curriculum Aims

The main KS1 national curriculum aims covered in the Gymnastics units are:

• Master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and coordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities.

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Year '

Year 2

Health and Fitness

Describe how the body feels when still and when exercising.

Describe how the body feels before, during and after exercise.

Carry and place equipment safely.

Recognise and describe how the body feels during and after different physical activities.

Explain what they need to stay healthy.

Acquiring and Developing Skills in Gymnastics (General)

Create a short sequence of movements.

Roll in different ways with control.

Travel in different ways.

Stretch in different ways.

Jump in a range of ways from one space to another with control.

Begin to balance with control.

Move around, under, over, and through different

Create and perform a movement sequence.

Copy actions and movement sequences with a beginning, middle and end.

Link two actions to make a sequence.

Recognise and copy contrasting actions (small/tall, narrow/wide).

Travel in different ways, changing direction and speed.

Hold still shapes and simple balances.

Carry out simple stretches.

Carry out a range of simple jumps, landing safely.

Move around, under, over, and through different objects and equipment.

Begin to move with control and care.

Copy, explore and remember actions and movements to create their own sequence.

Link actions to make a sequence.

Travel in a variety of ways, including rolling.

Hold a still shape whilst balancing on different points of the body.

Jump in a variety of ways and land with increasing control and balance.

Climb onto and jump off the equipment safely.

Move with increasing control and care.

The Gymnastic skills taught throughout the units can be broken down into these specific areas; rolls, jumps, vault work, handstands, cartwheels and round-offs, travelling and shapes and balances.

This table maps out the progression of skills in each area to be taught in each year group. Please note — the age range is only a guide. All skills should be taught depending on the gymnastic ability of the children. Many of the skills are repeated across year groups to allow for children to progress at their own pace.

Reception		Year 2	
	Rolls		
Curled side roll (egg roll) Log roll (pencil roll)	Log roll (controlled) Curled side roll (egg roll) (controlled)	Log roll (controlled) Curled side roll (egg roll) (controlled)	
Forward Roll	Teddy bear roll (controlled)	Teddy bear roll (controlled)	
	Forward roll (controlled) Forward roll into straddle (controlled)	Rocking forward roll Crouched forward roll	
	Jumps		
Straight jump	Straight jump	Straight jump	
Tuck jump	Tuck jump	Tuck jump	
Jumping Jack	Jumping jack	Jumping jack	
Half turn jump	Half turn jump	Half turn jump	
	Cat spring	Cat spring	
		Cat spring to straddle	
Vault – with sprin	gboard and vault or other suitable raised platform, e	.g. gymnastics table	
Stretch jump off bench/ table	Straight jump off springboard	Hurdle step onto springboard	
		Straight jump off springboard	
		Tuck jump off springboard	

	Handstands, Cartwheels and Round-offs			
Bunny hop	Bunny hop - forwards/ sideways	Bunny hop		
	Front support wheelbarrow with partner	Front support wheelbarrow with partner		
	T-lever	Scissor kick		
		Cartwheel		
	Travelling & Linking Actions			
Tiptoe, step, jump and hop	Tiptoe, step, jump and hop	Tiptoe, step, jump and hop		
	Hopscotch	Hopscotch		
	Skipping	Skipping		
	Galloping	Galloping		
		Straight jump half-turn		
	Shapes and Balances			
Standing balances	Standing balances	Standing balances		
	Kneeling balances	Kneeling balances		
	Pike, tuck, star, straight, straddle shapes	Large body part balances		
		Balances on apparatus		
		Balances with a partner		
		Pike, tuck, star, straight, straddle shapes		
		Front and back support		
	Compete/Perform			
Control my body when performing a sequence of movements.	Perform using a range of actions and body parts with some coordination.	Perform sequences of their own composition with coordination.		
icipate in simple games. Begin to perform learnt skills with some control.		Perform learnt skills with increasing control.		
	Evaluate			
Talk about what they have seen.	Watch and describe performances.	Watch and describe performances, and use what they see to improve their ow		
Talk about what others have done.	Begin to say how they could improve.	performance.		
		Talk about the differences between their work and that of others.		