

Coverage Spring 1 Early Years England 2026



Week	News Story	Focus Question	British Value Link	Protected Characteristics	UN Article
5 th January	The National Year of Reading 2026 is a special year across the UK, created to help children and grown-ups enjoy reading more.	How does reading help us?	Mutual Respect and Tolerance	All	
12 th January	Famous online creators have come together at the 1 Billion Followers Summit in Dubai to talk about how their influence affects people around the world.	Why do people watch videos?	Individual Liberty	Age	
19 th January	Recently, a new award, called the Jane Goodall Earth Medal, has been created to celebrate people who work to help others and care for the world.	How can we help animals?	Mutual Respect and Tolerance	Religion or Belief	
26 th January	The Football Association (FA) has published a review looking at behaviour in football across England.	How should we behave when watching and playing football?	Rule of Law	All	
2 nd February	A toy company called Mattel has released a new Barbie doll designed to represent people who have autism, with features such as a fidget spinner and noise-cancelling headphones.	Do all children choose to play with the same toys?	Individual Liberty	Disability	
9 th February	The government in the UK is considering new rules to help keep children safe online through consultation on whether children under 16 should be allowed to use social media.	What are the things we can do to look after our mental health?	Rule of Law	Age	