FOUNDATION PHASE: LIFE SKILLS GRADE 1

GUIDELINES ON HOW TO USE THE ADJUSTED CURRICULUM FOR LIFE SKILLS IN FOUNDATION PHASE:

- Life Skills is the backbone to teaching and learning in Foundation Phase. This fact cannot be emphasized strong enough. It enables "deep teaching and learning" when learners use the vocabulary, created Shared reading and writing texts, dictionary skills, creative writing and so forth.
- Beginning Knowledge and Personal and Social Well-being in the Life Skills curriculum are organized into topics. The use of topics is suggested as a means to integrate the content from the different study areas where possible and appropriate. Selected Life Skills topics in the CAPS for term 1 to 4 need to be covered
- The Life Skills Curriculum for Term 1 to 4 is encapsulated in this document.
- As in Term 2 to 4, the document includes Skills and Values, Core concepts and knowledge as well as possible resources to be used which is not included in CAPS.
- Life Skills content has been scaffolded in a coherent, simple manner across the allocated weeks for each Term.
- Four weeks has been allocated for 'Readiness" for Grade 1 which includes Perceptual development and Phonological awareness for learners who may not be ready for the formal curriculum. Learning and teaching will continue after 2 weeks using the Topic as prescribed. Read-aloud, Shared reading, games, sing-along, puzzle building continues as in the Topic "Me".
- The Grade 1 context will determine whether some learners will need longer than 4 weeks and those few learners can continue the "Readiness Programme and Phonological awareness" alongside teaching. YOU MAY ADJUST THE WEEKS TO TEACH THE LIFE SKILLS TOPICS IN TERM 1 depending on how many weeks the learners needed to "catch up".
- Grade 2 to 3 has an allocated 2 weeks for Baseline and orientation. You may use Term 4 Topics if you need to catch-up in Languages. Use the Topics, Content and skills to drive the Language teaching.
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PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING WHEN TEACHING THE MORE PRACTICAL STUDY AREAS (NATIRAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, CREATIVE ARTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION) OF LIFE SKILLS

- PLAY, own choice and organized, is the most important pedagogy in Foundation Phase and cannot be neglected. This within COVID adherences.
- Learners need to feel that they belong and part of a group as this foster as sense of belonging and acceptance, especially in these times.
- Creative Art, singing and movement is a form of therapy to counteract the stresses which may be present. Psycho-social and emotional support is one of our priorities.
- In most cases some activities have either been omitted or adapted to adhere to social distancing. THE ACTIVITIES MAY BE ADAPTED to suit your context.

GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL-BASED ASSESSMENT:

- This will be a continuous, informal process through observation and mostly practical in nature. Learners are to have multiple opportunities before any formal recording or code is given.
- Beginning Knowledge and Personal well-being may be a written assessment, however topics which included practical such as recording weather, plant growth, making a plant holder can be used as an assessment for both Life Skills and Home Language. Similarly, an art piece and 'talking' about your art piece can be used both for CA and Oral...Listening and Speaking. Use a rubric (one for each) with specific descriptors for each of the skills and outcomes specific to the product (oral and the art piece)
- Use the SBA Guidelines You may adapt some of the rubrics.

We find ourselves in a very different "new normal" and we would like to remind you to take care of yourselves. Thank you for your dedication and drive to prepare our learners to be competent readers, critical thinkers and problem solvers.

GRADE 1 REVISED TEACHING PLANS: LIFE SKILLS

4	TERM 1	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK	WEEK
	15 DAYS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	CAPS TOPICS:	ORIENTATION/ PERCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT	ORIENTATION/ PERCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT	ME PERCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT	ME PERCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT	AT SCHOOL	AT SCHOOL	HEALTHY HABITS	HEALTHY HABITS	WEATHER	WEATHER

DAILY COVID-19 MEASURES:

Daily hygiene routines are to be strictly followed:

- Remind learners of the daily routine.
- Encourage learners to stay at home when ill.
- Learners are to wear masks every day. Masks are only to be removed and placed in a safe place while they are eating.
- Supervise snack and lunchtime.
- Teach them to cover their mouth and nose with a flexed elbow or tissue when coughing or sneezing. Dispose of the used tissue immediately.
- Wash hands with soap and water often or sanitize your hands
- Sanitize and clean frequently touched surfaces or (5 table spoons of jik to 1 litre of water) toys, stationery, objects, etc. Introduce this practice as routine.
- Slogan: Keep your distance Teach learners about social distancing and how to greet without touching.
- Help learners to cultivate compassion, increase resilience while building a safe environment and caring for others.
- Respond to learners' anxieties with love and care.
- Maintain a regular routine to keep the abnormal situation adapted to a "new normal".

TEACHERS TO ENSURE THEIR OWN SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF THEIR LEARNERS IN THEIR OWN CONTEXTS

- Beginning Knowledge and Personal and Social Well-being activities should address key concepts and skills relating to Social Science, Natural Science and Technology e.g. investigations, design, enquiry skills, etc. Ensure that vocabulary development is intentionally included to improve language.
- Creative Arts [Visual Arts and Performing Arts] should be integrated very strongly with Languages.
- Physical Education will be implemented for one hour per week, the 2nd hour will be utilised for reading of Personal and Social Well-being and Beginning Knowledge content knowledge e.g. comprehension pieces: "reading for meaning", stories, poems etc.
- Every Life Skills lesson will commence with a 5-minute lesson based on making learners aware of Covid-19 addressing washing hands, healthy habits, symptoms of Covid-19, social distancing, what and when to report to whom, discussing when a friend/family member pass away, etc.
- · Learners are expected to complete the DBE workbook activities and one or two written activities or practical per week in a class workbook for BK and PSW

PLEASE NOTE: EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS CONTROL AND REGULATES COGNITIVE AND SOCIAL BEHAVIOURS IS NOT WRITTEN INTO CAPS BUT THESE SKILLS ENABLE LEARNERS TO CONTROL IMPULSES, PAY ATTENTION, REMEMBER INFORMATION, PLAN AND ORGANISE TIME AND MATERILAS AND RESPOND APPROPRIATELY TO SOCIAL AND STRESSFUL SITUATIONS, THUS IMPERATIVE FOR LEARNING. PLEASE READ MORE ABOUT THIS.

SKILLS AND VALUES: Observe Communicate Good attitude Identify/Identity Ability to Respect Tolerate etc.	To show respect, love, empathy and acceptance To demonstrate SKAVs Orientation to	To show respect, love, empathy and acceptance To demonstrate SKAVs Orientation to	To develop a good hygiene, self- esteem, self-love and respect differences Everyone is	To develop a good hygiene, self- esteem, self-love and respect differences Similarities and	Identity Identify Respect Tolerance Observe school and class rules Names	 Identity Identify Respect Tolerance Observe class and school rules Names 	Observe Identify Respect Care Care	RespectCareCompare Toilet routine	Identity.Knowledge	 Observe Compare Identify Communicate Record Identify
CONCEPTS & KNOWLEDGE:	rules and procedures • Places in the classroom and school • Baseline	rules and procedures • Places in the classroom and school • Baseline	unique • Knowledge, identify, respect explore different things you/others can do.	differences Respect your own and other's differences and similarities.	Rules and routines	Rules and routines	body. • Know what good hygiene is and how to exercise it.	 Care of your body. Knows good exercise and games Application of knowledge 	of the effect of weather on how we dress	eyes
PRE- KNOWLEDGE:	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge	Perceptual skillsEveryday knowledge
CAPS CONTENT: REMEMBER to always be aware of activities to promote EXECUTIVE FUNCTION - Working memory Inhibitory control Self-regulation	 Perceptual development Phonological awareness games- e.g. animal sounds, everyday sounds, music etc. 	 Perceptual development Phonological awareness games- e.g. animal sounds, everyday sounds, music 	We are special and unique Things I can do (count, know colours, jump etc. Discussion Where was I born?	 How I am the same as my friends. (Height, hair colour, gender, weight etc.) How I am different from my friends. Discussion; show and tell 	 Name of my school, teacher and principal Classroom routines and rules 	Name of my school, teacher and principal Classroom routines and rules	 Sleep Eating healthy food Washing hands Keeping clean Hair, teeth and nails I keep my body clean: Some good habits 	 Proper use of toilet Regular exercise and play. Limited television 	• The weather and usclothes, food, activities	Do not look directly into the sun-

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JOWLEDGE	SKILLS AND VALUES: e.g. Observe Compare Conservation Measure Cause & Effect Communicate Values, Care etc.	Demonstrate skills and competencies	Demonstrate skills and competen- cies		•	Observe Identify cause and effect Communicate Pose solutions f activities to promonibitory control and services.		• Care • Compare ctioning:	• Care • Compare	 Observe Compare Identify Classify Measure Experiment Communicate Respect 	Observe Compare Identify Classify Measure Experiment Communicate Respect
BEGINNING KNOWLEDGE	CORE CONCEPTS & KNOWLEDGE:	Direction, place; next to, behind, in front of, on top of [Mathematics vocabulary]	 Direction, place; next to, behind, in front of, on top of [Mathematics vocabulary] 	 Knowledge of own personal details. Where I live, my telephone number and age Where was I born? (place) 	 Knowledge of own personal details. Where I live, my telephone number and age Where was I born?(place) 	 Knowledge of own school. Direction and orientation. Follow a simple map 	 Understand the reason and need for classroom routines and rule Know and apply rules. Remember and identify the direction to school 	 Good eating and health habits Keep healthy 	and health habits Keep healthy	of weather conditions. Identify the condition Effect on us.	 Observation of weather conditions. Identify the condition Effect on us. Ensure healthy life.
	CAPS CONTENT: ENSURE OPTIMAL USE OF DBE WORKBOOKS	Notes: The weather chart should be updated throughout the year.		Personal details - such as name, address, telephone		 Name of school, teacher and principal. Where to find different places in the school- 	Classroom routines and rule How I get to school:			A daily weather chartRegular observation	Explain to learners why they should never look directly into the sun.

REMEMBER to	numbers and	toilet, office,	I am proud of	of weather	• her and us
always be aware	age.	play areas.	my school	condition	
of activities to	About me:			 ◆ Hot, cold, 	
promote				windy,	
Executive				cloudy,	
Function -				sunny, misty,	
Working memory				rainy	
Inhibitory control				 Symbols to 	
Self-regulation Self-regulation				describe	
				conditions	
RESOURCES	DBE WB	 Flashcards 	• DBE WB Pg.	• DBE WB pg.	• DBE WB pg.
ENGLIDE	Pg.2	Charts	12-13	30.	31- 32.
ENSURE OF	Flashcards	Video	• DBE WB	Weather	
OPTIMAL USE OF DBE	Charts	1.000	pg16-17	chart	
WORKBOOKS			DBE WB pg.	Symbols	
Reading for			18	Flashcards	
meaning of			 Flashcards 		
fictional and non-					
fictional text					

WEATHER: WEATHER TO BE TAUGHT UNTIL LEARNERS CAN INDEPENDENTLY OBSERVE THE WEATHER AND CHANGE THE ICONS DAILY. THE WEATHER CHART SHOULD BE UPDATED DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

- Predictions
- Minimum and maximum temperature
- Symbols (Celsius, weather forecast)
- Cloud cover

 Complete owi 	n weather chart - Precipitation (rain), wind, etc.
INFORMAL ASSESSMENT	 The practical activities must be observed and informally assessed during daily lesson activities in Life Skills. Also note SKAVs that is developing, developed and mastered for Home Language and Mathematics Some written activities can be given. Skills, knowledge application, attitude and values are not meant to be an assessment activity but ensure that leaners are afforded opportunities to demonstrate these skills orally and practically. This is informal and ongoing.
SCHOOL BASED ASSESSMENT:	REFER TO DBE SBA Guidelines

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	chalk										
•	Draw and paint pictures of self -						Х				
	interacting with others						,				
	Paint own portrait adding features -										
	eyes, ears, nose and mouth; discuss										
	features on the head, shape, colour				Х						
	and line.										
•	Print patterns with thick paint								Х		
				CREATE	A 3D (CONST	RUCTION)					
		Adapt the acti	vity to your conte				e geometric sha	pe (Mathemat	ics)		
	Box constructions using recyclable									Х	Χ
	boxes; emphasis on geometric										
	shapes; discuss shapes										

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Exploring shape and weight using										
action words and movements such										
as crooked, narrow, wide, feathery,			Х							
pulling a heavy box, etc. Imagine you areaction is done in own										
space										
Singing indigenous songs using										
appropriate movements and					.,					
dramatization DBE WB pg.10					Х					
Simple improvisation around familiar								X		
experiences in own family and										
community such as the 'birthday										
party', 'umdlalo', playing 'pophuis', etc.										
Dramatisation: making up short										Х
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Warming up body parts such as										
'playing the piano', 'washing body',	Х	Х			Х					
'shaking off water', etc.										
Safe environment: finding own										
space: Direction, place; next to ,										
behind, in front of, on top of	Х									
[Mathematics vocabulary] Use a										
bean bag or crumbled paper ball.										
Locomotor movements: walking,								X		
skipping and running forwards and			Х			Х				
backwards – own space										

 Non-locomotor movements: bending knees, shoulder and wrist circles 					х					
 Warming up voice: breathing exercises and creative games such as blowing out candles, etc. Song: Five little monkeys. DBE WB pg.10 				Х			х		х	х
 Body awareness exploring space and direction such as below, behind, above, using bodies or obstacles 	х	Х								
Keeping a steady beat with changes in tempo whilst clapping or moving in time to music such as walking in fours, skipping in twos DBE WB pg.3			х			х			х	
 Cooling down the body and relaxation: e.g. 'candle melting', 'balloon deflating' 	х	х			Х			Х		
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	Dodging games around skittles changing direction					X					
	Using senses: hearing - listen to instructions		х								

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	SPORTS AND GAMES
	You may add your own games
 Movement games concepts of size, distance, space and quantity covered 	
RESOURCES Improvise	 Use painted empty cooldrink bottles filled with sand as markers/ cones Skipping ropes – pick and pay plastic bags plaited for a long enough skipping rope Bean bags – small squares sown and filled with pebbles, beans etc. – Bean bags easier to handle and control – Home- made ball- newspaper rolled into a ball ar covered with cellotape Balance beam- bricks covered with material; blocks covered with material etc.
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