

# Coverage Spring 2 Early Years England 2026



| Week                      | News Story   | Focus Question   | British Value Link           | Protected Characteristics | UN Article  |
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| 16 <sup>th</sup> February | A new series of the television programme, Gladiators, has recently returned to screens.  | What skills would you need to take part in Gladiators? | Individual Liberty           | All                       |    |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> February | Scientists at NASA are preparing to send astronauts back to the Moon, as part of a new space programme running over the coming years.  | How can it feel to travel in a new way?                | Democracy                    | Race and Sex              |    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> March     | Brynteg School in Wales has said that from September, skirts will no longer be part of the school uniform. Instead, all children will wear trousers or shorts.                       | What are the best clothes to wear to school?           | Mutual Respect               | Sex                       |    |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> March     | During China's Lunar New Year Gala, one of the world's most-watched TV shows, humanoid robots danced and performed kung-fu moves on stage.   | What would you like robots to be able to do?           | Individual Liberty           | Religion and Belief       |    |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> March    | This week's news is about Pokémon, which is celebrating 30 years since it was first created.   | What do you look for while out and about?              | Rule of Law                  | Age                       |  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> March    | Athletes from around the world have been competing in the Winter Paralympic Games in Italy.  | How can we be the best at our favourite sport?         | Mutual Respect and Tolerance | Disability                |  |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> March    | The Bank of England, that designs and makes the UK's banknotes, has said that future notes might include British wildlife, such as animals or plants, instead of historical figures. | What animals or birds mean the most to you?            | Democracy                    | Religion and belief       |  |