

Year 3 Curriculum Overview

Learning Updates detail the learning and enrichment activities that have taken place in class each week.

The teaching of reading and writing in English will be focussed around enhancing knowledge of the text type, school value, the thread, or the topic.

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Thread	Ethics and Citizenship	Changing Communities	Leaders through time	Ethics and Citizenship	Changing Communities	Modernising Medicine
School Value	Responsibility	Community	Individuality	Individuality	Community	Responsibility
English	Instructions, acrostic poetry	Non-chronological reports, free-verse poetry, adventure stories	Recounts, kenning poetry, familiar fairy tales	Description (characters and settings), haiku poetry	Persuasive writing, adventure stories	Fables (myths based on Daedalus & Icarus), explanations
Maths	See NC links for each year group's objectives. Please also see the Maths Target Sheets. By the end of Y3, children should have completed Target Sheet C, and they should know the 10x, 5x, 2x, 3x, 4x, 8x table.					
RE	Christianity Religion and the Individual	Islam Religion and the Individual	Christianity Sacrifice	Hinduism Religion and the Individual	Christianity Beliefs in Action in the World	Judaism Symbols and Religious Expression
Science	Animals, including Humans	Rocks	Light	Plants	Forces and Magnets	Recap
History		How did the earliest communities teach us to work together? (Palaeolithic and Mesolithic hunter gatherers)	Boudicca's Revolt - the impact of Boudicca against the Romans	Understanding social class and how it impacted Mary's life (The Secret Garden)	How his hobby became our industry: the role of King James I and Charles II in establishing our local community	How did the Greeks 'invent' modern medicine?
Geography	Why do we have to import some fruits and vegetables from abroad? Why is fair trade important? (locate continents, investigate and compare locations using the internet, photos and atlases, then draw conclusions)		Location of the Iceni tribe, location of main Roman cities (London, Colchester) and location of battles.	Map skills – compass points, coordinates, simple scale drawings, key.	Counties of Suffolk and Cambridgeshire. Map of a short route experienced, with features in the correct order.	Location of Greece and Greek Islands.
PSHE	Tobacco is a drug	Bullying – see it, say it, stop it	Strengths and challenges	Celebrating difference	Saving, spending and budgeting	What helps me choose?
Computing	Logging on / moving digital content. What is a computer?	Programming: Probots	Top Trumps Databases	Digital Literacy	Presentations	Programming: Scratch
Online Safety	Does technology affect how active I am?	How is online communication similar to Stone Age	Why might it be dangerous to share your views about things	How could Mary Lennox use social media to express	What does it mean to be part of an online community? Is it	What modern app could Ancient Greek doctors have used to

		communication (cave paintings)?	online in Roman times?	her dislike of her new home?	the same as my local community?	collect and record data about their patients?
Music	Festivals – Chinese New Year	Around the World - India	Mountains	Performance Skills for Easter Performance	Ballads	Jazz
French	Greetings, asking how somebody is, numbers to 10, introduction to nouns.	Classroom objects, colours, ages, class instruction.	Body parts, describe eyes and hair, days of the week.	Animals and pets, numbers 11-20, give someone's name, describe someone.	Identify family members, alphabet, household items, describing position.	Snacks, opinions about food, numbers 21-31, months, forming dates.
Art and Design		Prehistoric Art: Cave Paintings		Formal Elements shape and tone – drawing from natural objects.		Kapow - Craft – Tie-dye, weave and sew
DT	Food – Eating Seasonally		Structures - Constructing a Castle		Textiles – Making cushions	
PE	Gymnastics / Tag Rugby & Basketball	Dance / Gymnastics & Football	Gymnastics / Dance & OAA	Dance / Netball & Hockey	Gymnastics / Cricket & Rounders	Swimming / Tennis & Athletics