

Year 3 - Curriculum Overview

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| Year 3 | Autumn 1 | Autumn 2 | Spring 1 | Spring 2 | Summer 1 | Summer 2 | | |
| Science | Rocks and Soils Investigate properties of rocks and soils. Understand the process of fossilisation and the work of Mary Anning. | Animals including Humans Understand the skeletal system. How muscles work. Nutrition in a healthy balanced diet. Revisit Rocks and soils | Forces and Magnets Understand what a push and pull force is. How magnets work. | Light Understand how light travels and reflection of light. How shadows are made, and how to change shadows. | Fabulous Flowers Conditions for growing healthy plants. Functions of the different plant parts. The process of pollination | Revisit Forces and Magnets and Animals including Humans | | |
| History | Stone Age to Iron Age Study the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic periods. Learn about Skara Brae and Stonehenge. How bronze and iron were discovered and made. | Stone Age to Iron Age Study the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic periods. Learn about Skara Brae and Stonehenge. How bronze and iron were discovered and made. | | Revisit Stone Age to Iron Age | The Roman empire and its impact on Britain Who were the Romans? Reasons for invasion of Britain How Britain changed under Roman rule. | The Roman empire and its impact on Britain Who were the Romans? Reasons for invasion of Britain How Britain changed under Roman rule. | | |
| Geography | Maps and fieldwork The points of a compass. Physical and human features on a map. | | Counties and regions: A UK study Physical and human features of the countries of the UK. | Counties and regions: A UK study Physical and human features of the countries of the UK. | OS maps Symbols used on OS maps How to read an OS map. Identify features of the local area. | Revisit: UK study | | |
| Art | Gestural Drawing with Charcoal Charcoal techniques for shading and blending. Drawing on a large scale linked back to Stone Age cave art. Artist study: Laura McKendry | Working with Shape and Colour Creating collage using shapes Artist study: Romare Bearden and Henri Matisse | Telling Stories Through Drawing and Making Using clay to create a character from a story. Using joining and texturing clay techniques. | Cloth, Thread, Paint | Making animated drawings | Using natural materials to create images | | |

| DT | Textiles How can I make a box out of fabric? | Structures What makes a bridge strong? | Food and nutrition What do we mean by a balanced diet? | Mechanisms How can we do a lot of work with little effort? | Food and nutrition How does food affect your body and mind? | Systems How are things powered? | | | |
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| Music | Violin lessons throughout the year. Focusing on learning to play the instrument and reading music notation. | | | | | | | | |
| ICT | Coding Use purple mash for simple programming. | Internet Safety Safe searching and keeping information safe on the internet. | Spreadsheets and Graphing Creating spreadsheets, collecting information and collating results. | Emailing Using purple mash to send and receive emails. Learn how to send attachments. Touch typing. | Branching Databases Use purple mash to create databases for classifying animals Simulations | Presenting information Using MS PowerPoint and Publisher | | | |
| PE | Football | Dance/fitness | Gymnastics | Basketball | Dodgeball | Orienteering/athletics | | | |
| Spanish | Describing me and others (estar/ser – to be) Phonics: short vowels and ca, co, cu | Saying what I and others have (Tener – to have) Phonics: ca, co cu, ce, ci, z | Saying what I and others do (present –ar and –er verbs, infinitive) Phonics: I, II, ga | Saying how many and describing things ('some', plural nouns) Phonics: ga, go, gu, que, qui | Describing things and people (tener – to have/be, possessive adjectives, subject pronouns) Phonics: j, ge, que, ñ | Expressing likes and saying what I and others do. (el/la, los/las, jugar – to play) Phonics: r, rr, b, v, h | | | |
| RE | Hinduism Main Beliefs, important artefacts and significant events. | The Nativity Story The story of Christmas. | Islam Main Beliefs, important artefacts and significant events. | Good Friday The story of Easter. | Sikhism Main Beliefs, important artefacts and significant events. | Judaism Main Beliefs, important artefacts and significant events. | | | |
| SEAL | Teams Learning how to work collaboratively | Think Positive Understand and recognise feelings and emotions. | Britain Democracy | Be Yourself Achievements and being 'proud' | It's My Body Understanding how to keep healthy | Aiming High Personal challenges | | | |