

Year 3 Curriculum Overview 2026-2027

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English Fiction Non-fiction Poetry SPaG focus Speaking Vocabulary	Vocabulary Poet Study - Joseph Coelho The Man on the Moon - Narrative Oral Storytelling	Vocabulary Non-Chronological report - Stone Age The BFG - Narrative	Vocabulary The Iron Man - Narrative How Bees Make Honey - Information Texts Simple, compound and adverbial complex sentences	Simple, compound and adverbial complex sentences Performance poetry The Journey - Diary writing	Vocabulary Non Chronological report - Healthy lifestyles The Firework Maker's Daughter - Fiction MK Safety Centre Recount Poetry Understanding Form	Tense forms: simple, progressive and perfect Explanation Text - Mummification Persuasive Letters - The Day the Crayons Quit Introduction to speeches
Class readers	The BFG - Roald Dahl	The Iron Man T. Hughes	The Sheep Pig Dick King-Smith	Varjak Paw -SF Said	The Firework Maker's Daughter - Philip Pullman	The Abominables - Eva Ibbotson
Guided reading texts	The Last Castaways - Harry Horse	Mulan - Michaela Morgan The Stone Age - Various authors The Dark - Lemony Snickett Pebble in My Pocket - Meredith Hoopes	Swallow's Kiss -Sita Brahmachari Rushing Rivers - Kingfisher The Moon Dragons - Dylan Sheldon The Iron Man T. Hughes	Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx - Joe Todd-Stanton The Sheep Pig - Dick King-Smith	Varjak Paw -SF Said Anansi and the Antelope Baby - Tony Bradman Firebird - Saviour Pirotta	Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine
Spellings	Spelling Shed	Spelling Shed	Spelling Shed	Spelling Shed	Spelling Shed	Spelling Shed
Mathematics	Place Value Addition and Subtraction	Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division	Multiplication and Division Fractions	Length and Perimeter Mass and Capacity	Fractions Money Time	Time Shape Statistics
Science	Movement and Nutrition	Forces and Magnets	Rocks and Soils	Light and Shadows	Plant Reproduction	Does hand span affect grip strength?
Computing	Programming Scratch	Connecting devices	Programming: MakeCode: Loops	Creating media: Creating video trailers	Creating Media Creating a website	Data Handling Branching databases
History	Would you prefer to live in the Stone Age, Iron Age or Bronze Age?		Why did the Romans invade and settle in Britain?		What was important to Ancient Egyptians?	
Geography		Why do people live near volcanoes?		Who lives in Antarctica?		Are all settlements the same?
Art and Design	Drawing Developing drawing skills		Painting and mixed materials		Craft and Design Ancient Egyptian Scrolls	

				Exploring texture with paint and collage			
Design and Technology			Mechanisms Pneumatic Toys		Digital World Wearable Technology		Cooking and Nutrition Eating seasonally
Music		Mountain melodies: Steps and leaps	Inspired by India: Musical improvisations	Music technology: Introduction to music technology	Instrumental lessons (glockenspiel) South Africa music	Reggae rhythms: Playing in a band	Instrumental lessons (glockenspiel) Caribbean music
PE	1	Gymnastics Symmetry and Asymmetry Indoor	Boccia Accuracy and Inclusion	Dance-DDMIX African dance Indoor	Gymnastics Canon and Unison Indoor	Athletics Running at Different Distances Outdoor Problem Solving (Weather Dependent Indoor)	Rounders Striking and Fielding Outdoor Problem Solving (Weather Dependent Indoor)
	2	Netball Passing and Shooting Outdoor	Communication and Tactics Teamwork Outdoor	Football Movement and Marking Outdoor	Handball Gameplay and Teamwork Outdoor	Tennis Striking and Returning Outdoor	Athletics Sports Day Practice Outdoor
RE		What makes us human? Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Humanist	Where do we get our morals from? Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Humanist, Jewish, Muslim	Is scripture central to religion? Christian, Jewish, Muslim	What happens when we do wrong? Christian, Hindu, Humanist, Jewish, Muslim	Why is water symbolic? Christian, Sikh, Hindu, Muslim, Humanist	Why is fire used ceremonially? Christian, Sikh, Hindu, Muslim, Humanist
PSHE		Introductory Lesson Family and relationships	Family and relationships Health and wellbeing	Health and wellbeing Safety and the changing body	Safety and the changing body Citizenship	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing Transition lesson
Wellbeing		Making a difference Shared interests					Practise makes progress (Transition) Appreciation Motion Detection
French		This is me	Birthday celebrations	French adjectives of colour, size and shape	In a French classroom	Bon appetit	Shopping for French food
Enrichment Subject to change		Natural History Museum - Oxford/Pitts Rivers	M & M Productions- Sleeping Beauty Assembly - Volcanoes and Earthquakes	Electric Umbrella Performance & wshop	Assembly - Antarctica MK Mosque visit	Hazard Alley Safety Centre	Arts1 Puppet Show Birds of prey on the field