

Year 3 Curriculum Overview 2026-2027

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Topic titles	Precious Earth	Wild Earth	Legendary Earth
English Key Texts	Poetry – Summer is Here Non Fiction books about Pre-history Stone Age Boy – Satoshi Kitamura How to wash a Woolly Mammoth – Michelle Robinson Persuasive letters – Plastic Fantastic	Pugs of the Frozen North - Philip Reeve Flood – Alvaro Villa Winter’s Child – Angela McAllister Poetry – Kennings and quatrains	Arthur and the Golden Rope – Jo Todd-Stanton Leo and the Gorgon’s Curse - Jo Todd-Stanton Greek Myths and Legends – including Theseus and the Minotaur Non-Fiction books about Ancient Greece The Orchard Book of Greek Myths Marcia Williams Greek Myths
Maths	Place Value Addition and subtraction Multiplication and division	Multiplication and division Measurement: money Statistics Measurement: length and perimeter Fractions	Fractions Measurement: time Geometry: properties of shape Measurement: capacity and mass
Science	Light – What is light? What produces light? How are shadows formed? Magnets – How do magnets work? Which materials are magnetic?	Keeping Healthy - Skeletons – How are they structured? What are they made from? Why are they important? Healthy Eating – Why is it important to eat healthy? (link to PE and DT) Rocks and Soils – How are different rocks formed? What are the properties of different rocks?	Plants – How do plants reproduce? Why are plants important?
ICT	Internet safety Connecting Computers Stop Frame Animation	Sequencing Sounds Branching Databases	Desktop Publishing Events and Actions in Programs
History	Prehistory – How did the discovery of metal transform life in prehistoric Britain?		Ancient Greeks – Who were the Ancient Greeks? What did the Ancient Greeks accomplish?
Geography	Are all settlements the same?	Why do people live near volcanoes? Where does our food come from?	Comparing locations Comparing New Delhi to the UK

RE	What makes us Human? Where do our morals come from?	Is scripture central to religion? What happens if we do wrong?	Why is water symbolic? Why is fire used ceremonially?
DT	Structures (Shell Structure) Design, make and evaluate a desk tidy for themselves or friend to use as storage.	Mechanisms (Levers and linkages) Design, make and evaluate a poster for younger children.	Cooking and nutrition (Healthy and Varied diet) Design, make and evaluate healthy sandwich.
PE	Yoga Real PE – Personal and Social skills Outdoor games – ball skills/control	Swimming Real PE – Health and fitness	Swimming Athletics Striking and Fielding
Art	Colour and Painting, Printing and Textiles and Collage Painting – link to prehistory including cave painting and colour wheels	Drawing and Line, Digital Art Self-portraits – Kehinde Wiley Still life - Giorgio Morandi	Sculpture, 3D Form and Architecture – linked to Ancient Greece, clay pots, pattern work Textile Unit - Ana Falceta
Music	Ballads Creating compositions in response to an animation (Theme: Mountains)	Instrumental Unit 1 South Africa Pentatonic melodies and composition (Theme: Chinese New Year)	Instrumental Unit 2 Caribbean Traditional instruments and improvisation (India)
PSHE	Me, my friends and Belonging Mental health and wellbeing	Building healthy habits Making choices online	Keeping safe out and about Looking out for each other
French	Greetings and name Family Numbers 0-12 Age	The farmer's in his den Numbers 11-20 Favourite playground games Fruit/ Animals	Happy Birthday Come to my party Body parts Colour
Visits/ visitors	Butser Ancient Farm	Swimming	Swimming Greek workshop