

History

In History, children will study British History Heroes, focusing on the lives and achievements of Lord Shaftesbury and Dr Barnardo. They will explore how these individuals worked to improve the lives of others, particularly children, and understand the social and historical context of their actions. Children will also develop skills in historical enquiry, discussion, and interpretation, considering the impact these figures had on society and how their work continues to influence the present.

RE

In RE, children will explore the question "What kind of world did Jesus want?", learning about his teachings, values, and the ways he encouraged people to live with kindness, justice, and compassion. They will also study "Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'?", understanding the significance of Jesus' death, its meaning for Christians, and how it is remembered through Christian beliefs and practices. Children will reflect on these ideas and consider how they relate to life today.

Music

In Music, children will learn to play the violin or ukulele, begin reading music, and take part in Harvest, Christmas, Mother's Day, and Easter performances, developing their skills in playing, singing, and performing confidently.

PE

In PE, children will take part in gymnastics and dance, developing balance, flexibility, coordination, and movement skills. They will also practise target games and striking and fielding activities such as cricket, building teamwork, accuracy, and strategic thinking.

Computing

In Computing, children will use Purple Mash to develop their digital skills. They will learn to communicate effectively using email, understanding how to send, receive, and respond appropriately and safely. Children will also practise touch typing, improving their speed, accuracy, and confidence when using a keyboard for a range of tasks. These skills help them to work independently and efficiently in a digital environment.

Curriculum booklet

Key Stage 2

Year A

Spring



Curriculum Information

Booklet for parents

Art and DT

In Art & Design, children will explore rainforest craft, creating layered artworks to represent the different levels and features of the rainforest. They will also study British artists, including Paula Rego, Gainsborough, and Lucian Freud, developing their understanding of different artistic styles, techniques, and approaches. Through drawing, painting, and craft, children will experiment with materials and methods to enhance their observational and creative skills.

Numeracy

The children will continue to work on developing their mathematical skills and learning their number facts. Areas we will cover are:

- Mental and written multiplication and division including formal written methods.
- Measures - length, perimeter and area.
- Fractions and decimals including money - add fractions, equivalent fractions and find fractions of amounts. Decimals equal to fractions. Adding and subtracting money.
- Problem solving including reasoning and explaining how they solved the problem.

Modern Foreign Languages

In French, children will begin each session with frequently used vocabulary and short activities, including greetings, introductions, numbers, and other essential phrases, reinforced through games and interactive tasks. They will also focus on language related to "In my classroom", learning to describe objects, people, and activities in their classroom environment while developing speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills.

Science

In Science, children will study Forces and Magnets, learning about different types of forces, how they act on objects, and the properties of magnets. They will also explore Animals, including humans, investigating the main body parts, skeletal and muscular systems, and how humans and other animals grow, develop, and stay healthy. Through practical experiments and observations, children will develop skills in predicting, observing, and recording scientific findings.

Literacy

In English, children will study *The Incredible Book Eating Boy*, focusing on complex sentences using conjunctions such as *as*, *while*, *although*, *since*, and *until*. They will also develop their use of expanded noun phrases, including adjectives and prepositional phrases (for example: *a small boy near the chair*), applying these skills to write the climax of a narrative.

After half term, children will focus on *The Great Kapok Tree* by Lynne Cherry, learning to use correctly punctuated direct speech, including reporting clauses before or after speech. They will apply these skills to write the resolution and ending of a narrative, creating well-structured, engaging, and grammatically accurate stories.

Geography

In Geography, children will study rainforests, focusing on South America and the physical features of these environments. They will explore the climate, vegetation, and wildlife, and consider how human activity affects rainforest ecosystems. Children will also develop digital mapping and research skills, using technology to investigate locations, gather information, and present their findings about rainforests around the world.