



LOWER SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Subject	Year 3			Year 4		
	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Theme	Savages to settlers Secrets of the pyramids	Monstrous Myths	Amazonian Adventure	The Power Within	Invaded Island	Habitats
English texts	'Journey' by Aaron Becker 'Stig of the dump' by Clive King 'Egyptian Cinderella' by Shirley Climo	Greek Mythology	'The Flower' by John Light 'The Shaman's Apprentice' by Lynne Cherry – 'The Gentle giant' by Michael Morporgo –	'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman	Newspaper reports: the death of Julius Caesar Visual unit: The Dreamgiver 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo	'How to Train Your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell Poetry- analysing and performing
Maths focus	Number and Place Value Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division Fractions Measurement Geometry – properties of shapes Statistics			Number and Place Value Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division Fractions (including decimals) Measurement Geometry – properties of shapes / position and direction Statistics		
Geography / History	Britain from the Stone age to the Iron Age Ancient Egyptians	The Ancient Greeks Modern Greece	Local area study and fieldwork Human and physical geography of S. America Climate zones Rainforests Comparing localities – UK and South America	Mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes	The Roman Empire Anglo Saxons	Vikings and Anglo Saxons Europe locality study Map work
Science	Rocks Animals including humans	Forces and Magnets	Plants Light and Shadows	Animals including humans States of matter	Electricity Sound	Living things and their habitats
Design Technology and Food technology	Pneumatic systems; Moving monsters Food Technology – Sandwiches			Volcanoes	Electrical control	Savory snack Stuffed peppers
Art	Cave paintings Egyptian art and symbols based on Henri Matisse	Greek Pottery Patterns	Arts week Rainforests paintings based on Henri Matisse	The Streets around us Atmosphere	Roman Mosaics and friezes	Mother Nature
Religious Education	New beginnings and belonging Festivals of light Why are presents given at Christmas?	What do signs and symbols mean? What do we know about Jesus?	Why is the Torah special? Why is the bible important to Christians?	What can we learn from the Hindu use of images? Christmas journeys	What is the Buddhist way of life? How do Christians around the world celebrate Easter?	How do the beliefs of Christians affect their actions? What is faith?
Foreign Languages	Class rules Questions	Myself and my family Birthdays and parties	Body parts and colours Time	Where do you live? Directions French cities	Weather and Transport Clothes	Food shopping Likes and dislikes
Computing	Online safety What is a search engine? E-book - create content (text, graphic and sound) Programming (code.org)	Online safety iMovie (movie trailer to combine video, text and audio)	Online safety Animation - create content (text, graphic and sound) Programming (Scratch Junior)	Online Safety Using search engines Multimedia – creating content (presenting text and images) through PowerPoint and Comic Life	Scratch - create and debug simple programs	Excel – data handling and creating charts Powerpoint
Physical education	OAA/Teambuilding Intro to invasion games Netball Gymnastic	Net and wall Indoor athletic Gymnastic Developing skills for invasion games Health related fitness	Swimming Dance	Dance OAA/Team Map reading coordinates Development of skills for invasion games	Gymnastics Swimming	Swimming Striking and fielding Health related fitness different types of training Athletics
Music	Stone Age Percussion Egypt Christmas	Greece Recorder	Rainforests Samba / Latin Rhythms	Mountains / Volcanoes Christmas	Romans Glockenspiel	Vikings Carnival of the animals
P.S.H.E	Relationships – Team Living in The Wider World - Britain	Relationships – Be Yourself Health and Wellbeing – It's my Body	Living in the Wider World – Money Matters Health and Wellbeing – Aiming High	Health and Wellbeing – Think Positive Living in the Wider World – Respecting Right	Relationships – VIP's Living in the Wider world – One World	Health and Wellbeing – Safety First Relationships – Growing Up
RSE	Differences between male and females and naming body parts, exploring different types of families, challenging gender stereotyping, considering touch and knowing that a person has the right to say what they like and dislike.			Exploring the human lifecycle, body changes during puberty, understanding that children change into adults so they are able to reproduce, body image and media messages		

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