

Year 1 Curriculum Overview 2025–2026

	Autumn 1 (8 Weeks)	Autumn 2 (7 Weeks)	Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	Spring 2 (5 Weeks)	Summer 1 (6 Weeks)	Summer 2 (6 Weeks)
Christian Value	Compassion	Generosity	Endurance	Thankfulness	Friendship	Justice
British Value	Democracy		Mutual Respect		Rule of Law	
Continent Focus	Austalia					
English Focus	Diversity		Poetry		Non-Fiction	Spelling
Topic Name	Claws, Paws & Whiskers	Memory Box	Mighty Materials	London's Burning Class Assembly 15th April 2026	Let's Grow!	Superhumans
Trips		Birkacre (Autumn Trees)	Library	Birkacre (Spring Trees)	Garden Centre	Farm Education Centre
Role Play Area	Vets	Home Corner	Estate Agents	Pudding Lane Bakery	Garden Centre	Superhero HQ
English	<p>Narrative: Explore characters and settings</p> <p>Recount: Real life – walk to church for Harvest Service</p>	<p>Information texts: labels & lists (Facial Features etc)</p> <p>Narrative: Retell contemporary stories</p> <p>Information texts: Letters to Father Christmas</p>	<p>Poetry: Poet study – Michael Rosen (Don't do that poem)</p> <p>Narrative: Retell traditional & alternative tales.</p>	<p>Narrative: Explore characters and settings</p> <p>Recount: Events of the Great Fire of London.</p>	<p>Narrative: Explore characters and settings</p> <p>Information texts: non-chronological report on Plants</p> <p>Instructions – focus on time words</p>	<p>Narrative: Adventure stories</p> <p>Information texts: Fact files on Humans</p> <p>Poetry: Poems around a theme (Senses)</p>
Grammarsaurus Reading Unit	Non-chronological report – Weather in the United Kingdom	Model Text – Poetry – Seasons Non-chronological recount – The Happy Postman Postcard	Non-chronological report – Materials	Diary entry – The fire!	Narrative – The Enormous Turnip	Diary entry – Florence Nightingale

					Observations Over Time	
Geography	<p>Weather</p> <p>Hot & Cold Countries (Australasia, Antarctica, UK)</p> <p>4 Countries, Capital Cities & Surrounding seas.</p>	Our Locality - Physical Geography	<p>Mapping Skills</p> <p>Devise a simple map and construct basic symbols in a key.</p> <p>Map of our school and a house from a traditional tale</p>	Another UK locality - London		
History		Own history & living memory- toys over time.		Famous Event - Great Fire of London		Famous People - Florence Nightingale & Mary Seacole
Art	<p><u>Inspired by Flora & Fauna</u></p> <p>Explore how artists make art inspired by flora and fauna. Make collages of MiniBeasts and display as a shared artwork.</p>			<p><u>Exploring Watercolour</u></p> <p>Exploring watercolour and discovering we can use accidental marks to help us make art.</p>	<p><u>Simple Printmaking</u></p> <p>Explore simple ways to make a print. Use line, shape, colour and texture to explore pattern, sequencing and symmetry.</p>	
Design Technology		Freestanding Structures	Sliders & Levers		Preparing Fruit & Vegetables	
DT - Cooking & Nutrition		Christmas Food		Hot Cross Buns		Science Unit - Growing & Cooking - Sustainability (2 Steps)
Computing	<p>(Project Evolve)</p> <p>Managing online information</p> <p>Privacy and security</p> <p>Copyright and ownership</p> <p>(NCCE - Teach Computing) 6 weeks</p> <p>Computing systems and networks - Technology around us</p>		<p>Creating media - digital writing</p> <p>Online bullying - Anti bullying week</p> <p>Self image and Identity</p> <p>Online relationships</p> <p>Barefoot Unit: Scratchjr tinkering - 40 minutes</p>		<p>Programming A - Moving a robot</p> <p>Scratchjr knock knock activity - 1 hour</p> <p>Health, wellbeing and lifestyle - health week</p> <p>Online reputation</p>	

Music	Rhyming In Time Find The Beat and Dancing Dinosaurs	Let's Start Singing Name Song, Babushka & Little Angel Gets Her Wings	Music Inspired By The World Around Us In The Sea	Exploring Rhythm Patterns Hey You! and Rhythm Grids	Sound And Pictures RSNO's Yoyo and the Little Auk	Highs And Lows Music Is In My Soul
PE	Fundamentals Fitness	Dance Yoga	Gymnastics	Sending & Receiving	Athletics Net & Wall Games	Invasion Games Team Building
Religious Education	Unit 1.1 Harvest: How can we help those who do not have a good Harvest? None Christian Faith Link: Sukkot	Unit 1.3 Christmas: Why do we give and receive gifts?	Unit 1.4 Jesus was Special	Unit 1.5 Easter celebrating new life and new beginnings	Unit 1.7 Why is Baptism special? None Christian Faith Link: How are babies welcomed	Unit 1.9 My World Jesus World
PSHE	Feeling & Emotions	Our World	Computer Safety	Being Responsible	Keeping/Staying Healthy	Relationships
	Assessment Baseline - Jealousy	* Christmas Enterprise (Candlelit carols)	Assessment Baseline - Online Bullying Computer Safety	Assessment Baseline - Water Spillage	Assessment Baseline - Washing Hands Healthy Eating	Assessment Baseline - Friendship
	Hazard Watch				Keeping/Staying Safe	Our World
	Assessment Baseline - * Is it Safe to Eat & Drink? * Is it Safe to Play with? * Fire Drill * Equipment Safety - Scissors etc.				Assessment Baseline - Road Safety	Growing in our World - Families
Other celebrations	Black History month - October School Council Careers Week - 20th October	All Saints Day - 3rd Nov Diwali - 20th November Bonfire Night - 5th November	Mental Health Week - 9th-15th Feb Safer Internet Day - 10th Feb Ramadan - 17th March	St. David's Day - 1st March Holi - 4th March World Book Day - 5th March	St. George's Day - 23rd April KS2 SATS - 11th May Spirituality Week - 18th May	Health Week 1st June Phonics Screening Check - 8th June KS2 production - 8th July

		Remembrance Day - 14th November Hanukkah 14-22nd December KS1 Nativity - 9th & 10th December	Chinese New Year - 17th Feb - 3rd March	British Science Week - 6-15th March St. Patrick's Day - 17th March		
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