



Dream Big, Aim High
& Make a Difference

Year 3 Curriculum Overview 2024-2025

Project Question	Would you rather live next to a fault line or further away?	Why is food important to us?	Could you have lived through prehistoric Britain?	If you could live anywhere in Europe, where would it be?	How would you defeat a magnetic villain?	What would happen if the sun went dark?	How is life today influenced by the Mayans?
Projects	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Duration	Autumn 1	Autumn 2 (+Christmas)	Spring 1	Spring 2a	Spring 2b	Summer 1	Summer 2
Hook Event	Rock hunting and painting rocks to make a rock trail.	Exotic fruit and Vegetable tasting	Butser Farm visit	Orienteering day	Letter from Reception asking for a new game.	Wisley Gardens trip	Theatre workshop – Portals to the Past
Celebration	Making volcanoes	Making Christmas biscuits to have with a Christmas movie	Pottery Showcase	Food tasting day – a culinary tour of Europe	Sharing magnetic toys with younger class	Shadow puppet play performances	Mayan theme day – making hot chocolate, making jewellery, dreeing up
Subject Outcomes							
English	<p>Mountain by Alexandra Stewart Simple sentence writing</p> <p>Little mouses big book of fears by Emily Gravett Letter writing</p> <p>Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit Persuasive writing - letter</p>	<p>The Giant Jam Sandwich by Janet Burroway and John Vernon Lord Narrative - plot</p> <p>Christmas adverts Advert writing for our new product</p>	<p>The Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura Setting and description – diary writing</p> <p>Interview with a Tiger & Other Clawed Beasts Too by Andy Seed and Nick East Interviews</p>	<p>Strega Nona by Tomie de Paola Writing direct speech and dialogue</p> <p>The true story of The Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka Newspaper article</p>	<p>The Night Box by Louise Greig Poetry</p> <p>Traditional tales Shadow Puppet Plays</p>	<p>Balam and Lluvia’s House by Julio Serrano Echeverria Poetry</p> <p>The Ancient Maya by Jackie Malloy</p> <p>The Chocolate Tree (Mayan Fable) Persuade, Inform, Entertain pieces.</p>	
Science	Rocks	Animals including humans			Forces & Magnets	Plants Light	

History	Historical event - Vesuvius		Prehistoric Britain			The Maya
Geography	Mountains/Volcanoes /Earthquakes		Settlements Fieldwork	UK/ Europe Fieldwork		
Art and Design	Painting and Collage Mountains	Photography and Drawing / humans and animals.	Sculpture and printing Coil pots and cave paintings.			Papier Mache mask
Design & Technology		Cooking - Christmas biscuits			Designing magnetic games (fishing game)	Electrical control – light switches
Computing	Computing systems and networks – Connecting computers	Programming A – Sequencing sounds	Creating media – Stop frame animation	Data and information – Branching databases	Creating media – Desktop publishing	Programming B – Events and actions in programs
PSHE	Meet your Brain	Celebrate	Appreciate	Relate	Engage	Recap
RE	Key concept: Messages Jesus' Teaching and Messages	Key Concept: Angels Angels	Key Concept: Good and Evil Holi	Key Concept: Symbol Symbol of the Cross	Key Concept: Sacred Places of worship	Key Concept: Protection Raksha Bandhan
Music	Let your spirit fly	Glockenspiel Stage 1 & Christmas Performance	Three Little Birds	The Dragon Song	Bringing us together	Reflect, Rewind and Replay
French	Bonjour! Ca va? Greetings, names and ages, number to 12		As-tu des freres ou des soeurs? Family, physical descriptions, personality adjectives, basic colours		Quelle est la date de ton anniversaire? Days of the week, months, number to 31, birthdays	
PE/Games - inside	Gymnastic	Fitness	Dance	Handball	Netball	OAA
PE/Games – outside	Fundamentals	Ball skills	Football	Athletics	Athletics – sports day	Rounders

Geography fieldwork