

Year 2 Curriculum Overview 2023-2024

	Autumn				Spring			Summer						
	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 5		Term 6			
English	Fiction: Adapted historical fiction: Vlad and the Great Fire of London. Non-fiction: Letter Ella, Queen of Jazz Poetry: Shape poems		Fiction: Stories that raise a dilemma Greta and the Giants Non-fiction: Non-chronological report on climate change Poetry: Structural poems – rhyming couplets		Fiction: Adapted fairytale Jack and the Baked Bean Non-fiction: Recount The True Story of the Three Little Pigs. Poetry: Free verse – conversational poems		Fiction: Adventure Fantastic Mr Fox Non-fiction: Non-chronological report The animal book: a visual encyclopaedia of life on earth Poetry: Structural poems – Quatrain		Fiction: Fantasy The Paper Bag Princess Non-fiction: Instructions The Knight and the Dragon Poetry: Shape poems		Fiction: Mystery Violet and the Pearl of the Orient Nonfiction: Persuasive Letter Poetry: Free verse – monologue			
White Rose Maths	Number: Place value Number: addition and subtraction Geometry: shape				Measurement: money Number: multiplication and division Measurement: length and height Measurement: mass, capacity and temperature			Number: fractions Measurement: time Statistics Geometry: position and direction						
Science	Animals’ needs for survival <i>Biology</i>	Humans <i>Biology</i>	Materials <i>Chemistry</i>	Plastic <i>Sustainability</i>	Plants (light and dark) <i>Biology</i>	Living things and their habitats <i>Biology</i>		Light and Dark <i>Biology</i>	Plants (bulbs and seeds) <i>Biology</i>	Growing up <i>Biology</i>		Bulbs and seeds <i>Biology</i>	Growing up <i>Biology</i>	Wildlife <i>Sustainability</i>
Computing	Technology Around Us Recognising and using technology beyond school		Digital Photography Capturing and changing digital photographs		Robot Algorithms Creating and debugging programs		Pictograms Collecting and presenting data on a computer		Digital Music Exploring and creating music on a computer		Programming Quizzes Designing algorithms and programs			
History	Great Fire of London 1666 events beyond living memory that are significant nationally				Significant People (Monarchs) AD 851-present day the lives of significant individuals in the past			Significant People (Nurses and Explorers) 1451-Present day the lives of significant individuals in the past						
Geography	Geographical Features: Seven Continents UK <i>Physical</i> <i>Location</i>				Hot and Cold Deserts Geographical skills and fieldwork <i>Human and physical</i> <i>Place and Location</i>			Settlements Geographical skills and fieldwork <i>Human and physical</i> <i>Place</i>						
Art			Landscapes Weather art <i>Monet</i>				Sculpture and 3D Clay Houses		Craft and Design Drop Down Day Ancient Egyptian Scrolls		Drawing Growing artists Drop Down Day Abstract, shape and space			
Design and Technology	Construction Bridges				Food Healthy eating				Mechanics Wheels and axels <i>Early civilisation inventors, the Wright brothers</i>					

Music	The use of melody to inform rhythm World Music <i>Miriam Makeba, Soweto Gospel Choir, Hugh Masekela, Paul Simon, Arthur Mafokate</i>	How lyrics, instruments and rhythms indicate a particular style of music Pop, funk, Big Band, Jazz <i>Hugh Masekela, Elvis Presley, Stevie Wonder, Frank Sinatra</i>	How do instruments, rhythm and melody work together Rock music and bands <i>Queen, Deep purple, Status Quo, Chuck Berry, The Beatles</i>	Grandma Rap Reggae <i>UB40, Donald Fagan, Marcia Griffiths, Jimmy Cliff</i>	Swing-a-long with Shostakovich Cat and Mouse <i>Metre of 2 and 3, tempo, dynamics, rhythm, dot notation, singing, pulse, composing</i>	Tanczmy Labada <i>Duration, chords, singing, pulse, rhythm</i>
PE	Invasion Games <i>Running, dodging, hand dribbling, chest pass, catching and underarm throwing.</i>	Dance <i>Balancing</i> <i>Coordination and movement</i>	Invasion Games <i>Running, striking with an implement, foot striking and foot dribbling.</i>	Gymnastics <i>Jumping, hopping, skipping, landing, dynamic balances and forward roll rotations.</i>	Net and Wall Games <i>Striking with an implement and hand striking.</i>	Striking and Fielding sport <i>Underarm throw, striking with an implement and catching.</i>
PSHE	Health and wellbeing Hazards	Living in the wider world Using the internet	Healthy relationships Being a good friend	Health and wellbeing Understanding myself	Living in the wider world What is money	Living in the wider world Being part of a team
RE	How is new life welcomed?	How can we make good choices?	How and why do people pray?	How can we look after the planet?	Christianity What symbols are associated with Easter and what is their meaning?	Christianity What did Jesus teach and how did he live?