



YEAR 2 – Key Skills Overview 2024-2025

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Opposites Attract 7 weeks 2 days	Hats of Faith 7 weeks	Can We Fix It? 6 weeks	Slither, Sprint, Soar 6 weeks	Memories 5 weeks	Little People Big Dreams 7 weeks 3 days
Computing	Algorithms and Logical Reasoning Programming floor devices (Bee-Bots)	Organise and Present Research skills Presentations (Google slides)	Tools and Effects Animations (Scratch, Debugging)	Technology for a Purpose Statistics: data handling (link to Maths, Geography and technology beyond school)	Organise and Present Research skills Presentations	Tools and Effects Photography (iPads)
Ongoing throughout the year: E-Safety, key device skills via range of technology (logging on, use of keyboard, track pad etc.)						
Science	Living things and their habitats Living, dead, never alive Compare habitats - suitability	Working Scientifically Investigations to further develop scientific enquiry skills	Everyday materials Identify and compare Suitability for purpose Changing shape Scientists/inventors (History link)	Animals Needs for survival Life cycles Food Chains	Plants Life cycles Observations (stages of growth) Investigations (conditions for healthy growth)	Humans Needs for survival Life cycles Healthy Lifestyle (exercise, food, hygiene) Our bodies (PSHE)
Working Scientifically throughout the year: questioning, observing, simple tests, making links, scientific ideas, data collection & analysis.						
PSHE & RHE	School Rules, Class Charter, Rights & Responsibilities Health Mental wellbeing (Zones of Regulation)	Relationships Respectful Relationships (Boundaries)	Relationships Caring friendships	Health Physical Health and Fitness	Relationships Families and people who care for me	Health & Being Safe Medication/household products Sleep Basic First Aid
<i>Characteristics of Learning</i>	<i>Focus Ownership</i>	<i>Curiosity Trial and error</i>	<i>Reflect and Justify</i>	<i>Resilience Enthusiasm</i>	<i>Connections</i>	<i>Risk taking Own goals</i>
RE	All about me	Special Stories (Topic link: <i>Hats of Faith</i> , English link: <i>The Proudest Blue</i>)	Special Stories	Our World	Religious places and symbols	
Special Days Judaism Sikhism Hinduism Christianity Islam Buddhism	<i>Yom Kippur: 24-25 Sept</i> <i>Sukkot: 16-23 October</i> <i>Harvest: Sept/Oct</i>	<i>Diwali: 12 Nov</i> <i>Guru Nanak's BDay: 8 Nov</i> <i>Hanukkah: 7-15 Dec</i> <i>Christmas: 25 Dec</i>	<i>Tu Bishvat: 24-25 Jan</i> <i>Chinese NY: 10 Feb</i> World Religion Day: 21 Jan	<i>Mother's Day: 10 Mar</i> <i>Ramadan: 10 Mar</i> <i>Holi: 24 Mar</i> <i>Easter Sunday: 31 Mar</i>	<i>Eid-ul-Fitr: 9/10 Apr</i> <i>Buddha's BDay: 15 May</i>	<i>Father's day: 16 Jun</i> <i>Tanabata: 7 July</i>

Geography	Human and Physical Geography Hot and Cold areas Equator and Poles Opposite climates Geographical vocab	Locational Knowledge Continents and Oceans Place Knowledge Compare UK & non-European country		Geographical Skills and Fieldwork Maps & aerial photos, landmarks and keys, compass directions, directional language		
History			Events Beyond Living Memory Victorian inventions timeline The Great Exhibition: Crystal Palace History of tube/trains Invention of London Underground (Met line – own locality) Significant Individuals Queen Victoria and Prince Albert Robert Thompson & John Boyd Dunlop (Science link)		Events Beyond Living Memory Childhood history (link back to Victorians: workhouse, schools) Changes within Living Memory How toys have changed	Significant Individuals Little People Big Dreams: David Attenborough (Geography & Science link) Little People Big Dreams: Vincent Van Gogh (Art link)
Art and Design	Bridget Riley Optical Illusions		Kintsugi Japanese Art Kintsugi inspired paintings / collage	Henry Rousseau – jungle paintings Sketching (skulls) Georgia O’Keeffe		Artist inspiration: Van Gogh Aspirational Self Portraits
Design and Technology Cooking	Sweet and Savoury (George’s Marvellous Medicine)	Food from other cultures Sewing Christmas decorations	Kintsugi designs and crafts		Woodwork – photo frames Puppets (toys from history)	Cooking inspired by Michael Rosen poetry
PE	Dance with specialist teacher (Mrs Douglass) Multi sports with specialist coaches (First Touch Football) Gym and Team Games					
Music	Music sessions with specialist teacher (Mr Turnham)					
Trips / Workshops		Amersham Free Church (Harvest)	Amersham Station (local area walk)	Whipsnade Zoo	History themed workshops	