

Year 3/4 Yearly Curriculum Overview 2026-2027

In mixed classes, when subjects are taught in year groups, this is shown below.

Subject	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Religious Education	Creation and Covenant: the Creation story, stewardship Prophecy and Promise: the Mass	Desert to Garden: the Magi, the kingdom of God, miracles and parables Galilee to Jerusalem: the last supper, links to the Eucharist	To the Ends of the Earth: the Trinity, Mary and the disciples, the early Church Dialogue and Encounter: Passover; Islam
English	Daily English lessons focusing on reading fluency and comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation, and writing skills. Handwriting and spelling are taught separately. Spellings are taken from the national curriculum for the year groups. Core text: The Woman who Changed Children into Birds by David Almond/Hermelin by Mini Grey	Daily English lessons focusing on reading fluency and comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation, and writing skills. Handwriting and spelling are taught separately. Spellings are taken from the national curriculum for the year groups.	Daily English lessons focusing on reading fluency and comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation, and writing skills. Handwriting and spelling are taught separately. Spellings are taken from the national curriculum for the year groups.
	Key terminology for Y3: preposition, conjunction, word family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter, vowel, vowel letter, inverted commas (speech marks) Key terminology for Y4: determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial Sentence structure focus for Y3: use simple sentences; use compound sentences; write complex sentences (main and subordinate clause); write some complex sentences (subordinate and main clause) Sentence structure focus for Y4: use simple sentences; use compound sentences; write complex sentences (main and subordinate clause); write some complex sentences (subordinate and main clause); cause and effect conjunctions Editing focus for Y3: comma to separate clauses, adverbs (not fronted adverbials), precise nouns, expanded noun phrases, apostrophes (possession and contraction) Editing focus for Y4: comma to separate clauses, fronted adverbials, nouns/pronouns, precise nouns, apostrophes (possession and contraction)		
Mathematics	Daily maths lessons and fluency sessions to consolidate retrieval of key number facts, particularly additive and multiplicative facts and reasoning. We follow mixed-age White Rose planning. Place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, area	Daily maths lessons and fluency sessions to consolidate retrieval of key number facts, particularly additive and multiplicative facts and reasoning. We follow mixed-age White Rose planning. Multiplication and division, length and perimeter, fractions, mass and capacity	Daily maths lessons and fluency sessions to consolidate retrieval of key number facts, particularly additive and multiplicative facts and reasoning. We follow mixed-age White Rose planning. Time, decimals, money, shape, position and direction, statistics
Science	Uses of Everyday Materials: suitability of different materials for different uses; how the shape of objects made from some materials can be changed	Animals including Humans: the digestive system, teeth and their functions, food chains	States of Matter: solids, liquids and gases; heating and cooling; the water cycle

	Forces and Magnetism: movement of objects on different surfaces; magnetism including magnetic materials and poles Rocks and Soils: different rocks and their properties, fossils, the composition of soils	Living Things and their Habitats: grouping living things in different ways, classification keys, changing environments	Sound: how sounds are made, vibrations, pitch, volume, patterns in sound
Computing and Online Safety	The internet Controlling an on-screen turtle Online safety: SMART rules	Photo editing including creating images with AI Introduction to spreadsheets Online safety: life online	Audio editing Repetition in coding Online safety: digital ownership
Physical Education and Sport	Fundamental movements/team games Around the world/international sports	Net sports Racquet sports	Athletics Striking and fielding
History and Geography	History: invasion and settlement of Britain by the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings Geography: volcanoes		History: changes in children's lives Geography: rivers
PSHE	Me, my body, my health Emotional wellbeing	Life cycles Personal relationships Life online	Keeping safe Living in the wider world
Art / D&T (alternate half terms)	Art: drawing – tone, texture and proportion DT: castles	Art: painting and mixed media – exploring texture through paint and collage DT: sewing pouches	Art: sculpture and 3D – abstract shape and space DT: salads
Music / Spanish (alternate weeks)	Music: recorder 'Enchanted forests' Spanish: classroom objects	Music: recorder 'Enchanted forests' and 'Monster, monster' Spanish: where do you live?	Music: recorder 'Monster, monster' Spanish: journey around Latin America