

YEAR 2 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2026-2027

Autumn			Spring		Summer	
Subject focus	History		Geography		Science	
Theme	Valiant Victorians		Amazing Australia		Living Things	
	Key figure: Nellie Bly & The Wright Brothers Event/legacy: First recorded air flight - Victorian transport - Isambard Kingdom Brunel - First aeroplane flight - Characteristics of the UK - Cities of the United Kingdom		Key figure: James Cook Event/legacy: Discovery of Australia - Comparison study (Sydney and Cambridge) - Human and physical features – aerial photographs - Fieldwork - Comparison: exploration focusing on James Cook and Tim Peake		Key figure: Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Event/legacy: Discovery of germs (hand washing) - Changes within living memory: development of Colchester Zoo and conservation efforts - School grounds plant study - Map work – directional and locational language	
English	Recount	Voyage and Return	Non-chronological report	Rebirth	Persuasive text – poster	Tragedy
	Poetry – Tongue twisters (alliteration)				Poetry Different cultures - Race	
Maths (approximate time frames)	Key Measuring Skills	Addition and Subtraction	Addition and Subtraction	Multiplication and Division	Fractions	Time
	Place Value		Multiplication and Division	Using 4 operations		Statistics
						Shape
Science	Using Everyday Materials		Plants		Living Things and Their Habitats	Animals Including Humans
Art Cycle A	- Drawing - Illustrations - Drawing – Continuous Line - Painting – Abstract Art - Sculpture – Paper Sculptures					

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DT Cycle B	• Mechanisms (Wheel and Axles) – Transporting Good • Structures – Furniture • Structures – Bridges • Food and Nutrition – Seaside Snacks					
Music Cycle B	• Listening and Appreciating – Peter and the Wolf • Listening and Appreciating – A guide to the Orchestra • Composition – Theme Tunes • Performance – Film Score					
Cultural Capital Cycle B	• Community – Litter Detectives • Production – Bringing Books to Life • Digital Media – ICT Foundations Photography • Cultural Understanding – Keeping Ourselves Safe					
RE	Christianity Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?	Christianity Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?	Islam Who is God to Muslims?	Christianity How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion?	Islam How important is the prophet to Muhammad to Muslims?	Islam How important is the Qur'an to Muslims?
Computing	Computing	Animation	The Internet	Programming Scratch Junior	Microsoft Office	Programming Scratch
PE	Games - Tennis (stages 1, 2, & 3)			Netball (stages 3, 4, & 5)		
	Games - Rugby (stages 1, 2 & 3)		Ball Skills		Athletics – jumping, standing, ling, high, triple (stage 4)	