



Year 7 Curriculum Overview

2023-2024

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| | Autumn Term | Spring Term | Summer Term |
| English | Pupils have the opportunity to enhance their un | derstanding of and pleasure in literature th | Themes: Travel & Superheroes Travel Reading: Flat Stanley (Jeff Brown) The Incredible (film-based unit) Non-fiction: real-life 'hero' news articles Writing: Letter writing Writing to inform |
| Maths | Pupils follow the White Rose Maths schemes of TT Rockstars, Maths challenges, mymaths and p Place value Addition and subtraction Shape Decimals and percentages Perimeter, area and volume Statistics | | throughout the year. Mass, capacity and temperature Fractions Time Algebra Converting units Fractions, decimals and percentages |

| | In KS3 pupils will follow the Signature Level Certi | In KS3 pupils will follow the Signature Level Certificate in BSL. Pupils will be taught according to their individual ability and needs. | | | |
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| | | Level 1 | | | |
| | Meeting people | Weather | Transport | | |
| | ■ Greetings | Expanding vocabulary for weather terms | Different modes of transport. | | |
| | ■ Introductions | | Asking for directions | | |
| | ■ Conversation | | | | |
| | Using numbers and alphabet | Relevant personal information | Strategies for clarification | | |
| | ■ Shopping | Name, age, address | ■ Repetition | | |
| | ■ Phone numbers | Family details brothers, sisters | Changing questions structure | | |
| | ■ Communicating | | | | |
| | | Level 2 | | | |
| | Finger spelling | BSL sentence structure | Conversations | | |
| | Length of words | Recognise the difference between English | ■ Placement | | |
| | ■ Clarity | structure and BSL structure | ■ Hand shape | | |
| | ■ Speed | Use BSL structure in story telling | ■ Turn-taking | | |
| | ■ Spell back | Vocabulary | ■ Eye gaze | | |
| | Receptive and productive skills | ■ Travel | Questions and answers | | |
| | Role Shift | ■ Holidays | ■ Maintaining a conversation | | |
| DCI | Explain why this is important in BSL | Shopping | Signing Space, pace and flow | | |
| BSL | Use of dialogues with peers | Spending | ■ Use correct signing space for BSL | | |
| | Transform this into a role shift | Eating and drinking | Use of filming peers and giving feedback | | |
| | | | ■ Ensure that pace and flow is not too fast or too | | |
| | | | slow | | |
| | Level 3 | | | | |
| | Covers 6 different topics: home Life, social/recr | eational activities, education and training, empl | oyment, consumer issues and daily living, deaf | | |
| | history and culture. | | | | |
| | Use receptive and productive skills to engage | Maintain fluency, grammatical accuracy and | Understand sustained signed communication | | |
| | in varied social interaction. | coherence in sustained contributions | containing varied language | | |
| | Opinion and beliefs | containing varied language. | ■ Recognise and distinguish facts, opinions, | | |
| | Instruction and advice | Timelines | beliefs and feelings. | | |
| | Adapt own language appropriately (Formal | Range of aspect | ■ Deaf studies | | |
| | and informal) | Range of modal verbs | | | |
| | | Classifiers | | | |
| | | Negation and affirmation | | | |

Speech and Language Therapy is embedded into the school timetable and delivered through a combination of role play, pictures, short stories, video analysis and off site experiences.

AUTUMN 1

Theme: Story Telling and Retelling **Principles**

 Creating and telling stories to develop skills in narrative and character perspective

Language Skills:

- Describe, Retell, Sequence.
- Blanks Levels 2 and 3

Communication Skills

- Create and Retell a story
- Show awareness of shared knowledge and perspective taking

Speech & Language

Therapy (SaLT)

AUTUMN 2

Theme: Social Thinking: Zones of Regulation, People reading

Principles

- Feelings vocabulary to be linked with coloured zones of regulation.
- Actions and behaviours and others' perspective
- Management of own behaviours comfortable and uncomfortable thoughts

Language Skills

- Describing the feelings in themselves and others
- Impact and Consequences Blanks level 3

Communication Skills

Sharing thoughts, applying knowledge

SPRING 1 and 2

Themes: Live English SMiLE Principles

the public who don't know BSL

Language Skills

- Spoken English
- Written English
- Pictures
- Pointing
- Gesture

Communication Skills

- Enter and Greet
- Student's module focus
- Leave politely

SUMMER 1

Themes: Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Principles

 Strategies to communicate with members of
 To analyse, discuss and problem solve within a small group.

Language Skills

 Blanks Level 3 concrete explanations and opinions

Communication Skills

Team working skills

- Discuss
- Negotiate
- Explain
- Reason

SUMMER TERM 2

Theme: Lego Therapy

Principles

 Using the principles of Lego Therapy children will work in groups of 2-4 undertaking roles of: Engineer, Builder, Supplier

Language Skills:

 Describe, Request, Decline, Repeat, Rephrase, Clarify, Explain

Communication Skills

- Team working
- **Problem Solving**
- Perspective Taking
- Flexibility

| | The science curriculum aims to help pupils develop basic scientific ideas and understanding about the biological and physical aspects of the and the processes through which they develop this knowledge and understanding. | | | |
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| Science | Laboratory rules and safety: Introduction to the lab, safety rules Measuring volume Measuring temperature Cells and Organisation: | Gas Exchange: Gas exchange structure in humans Breathing mechanism Effects of smoking and asthma Gas Exchange in Plants | Photosynthesis and Respiration: Aerobic v. Anaerobic Respiration Photosynthesis mechanism Plant adaptations to and the environmental role of Photosynthesis | |
| | Living and non-living (MRS GREN) Variety of life (animals and plants, vertebrates and invertebrates, vertebrate groups) Plant v Animal cells Specialist Cells | Behaviour of Particles: Solids/Liquids and Gases Properties of materials (expansion, diffusion, pressure) Particle motion Separation of mixtures | Chemical Reactions: Reversible v irreversible reactions Types of chemical reaction Gas tests Factors effecting rate of reaction | |
| | Unicellular organisms Tissues, Organs & Organ Systems Introduction to life cycles to show changes in aging of humans and other vertebrates Acids and Alkalis: Properties Indicators (pH scale) | Light and Waves: Properties of Light Transmission through materials Reflection Refraction Spectrum and colours of light | Plant Reproduction: Plant life cycle Germination Flower parts Pollination Seed dispersal | |

| | Pupils will learn about the following areas of computing through; presentations, word processing, drawing, animation, spreadsheets, databases, Scratch (graphical language) or Python (text based) depending on past experience and ability. | | |
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| Computing | Data Representation and Quality Logic Gates Binary Numbers Communication and Networks Online privacy How websites work Protocols Encryption Decryption | Hardware and Processing Utility Software – purpose and features Operating Systems Instruction Sets Programming and Development Variables Parameters Loops IDE | Algorithm Switch/Case statements Designing algorithms Effective algorithms Bubble sort (text/numbers) Insertion sort (text/numbers) Information Technology Creative Projects Collect data Analyse data Evaluate data Uses a range of media User feedback Consider Social, Economic, Political, Legal, Ethical, Moral issues |
| | Pupils study a range of topics at local, national a | | |
| | Pupils use a variety of resources, map skills and a How do we collect Geographical information? | where does everyone live in the world? | Are we looking after our world? |
| Geography | Geographical skills and collection of data through map work, human field work and enquiry techniques to collect data in and around the local area. Map skills – the use of OS maps, atlases, digital maps linked to collection of data, and changes over time. | Compare population and settlement throughout the world. Urban, rural (villages, towns, cities) and mega cities Changing population & migration. What are the effects of changing population on an area? How is the world developing? Comparison of different places and environments. Settlement data collection and fieldwork. | Energy (renewable and non-renewable), resources and recycling. Global warming/climate change. Effects of flooding, drought and tropical storms Practical collection of data, what are we doing at RSDD and pupils homes. Cross curricular fieldwork skills – 2 days of collecting and writing up data linked to geography and science, using skills from maths, English and computing. |

The curriculum aims to develop pupils understanding and awareness of historical concepts and events through the use of real artefacts and local visits where appropriate. Depth of content and extension will vary depending on individual needs.

The Formation of England (Pre-1066)

- Compare England from the time of Alfred the Great with now, noting the visual and societal differences
- Use images and maps from different regions
- Identify the important roles of Alfred the Great's children and Grandchildren regarding the formation of England under one Monarch
- Retell historical facts

William the Conqueror and the Feudal System

- Explore who had the strongest claim to the throne of England in 1066
- Learn Key vocabulary around 1066 and the Battle of Hastings.
- Identify the main claimers of the Throne in England in 1066.
- Explore why William the Conqueror won the Battle of Hastings.
- Norman castles: Exploring the development of Castles in Britain as a result of Norman conquest
- Learn about the Feudal system

The Black Death

- Learn the symptoms of the Black Death
- Why the Black death spread so quickly and killed so many
- The decrease in population after the Black
 Death and what this meant for Peasants

The Peasant's Revolt

- The context of the Peasants Revolt and how it was linked to the Feudal system and rising taxes
- Explore the key events of the Peasant's Revolt and what Watt Tyler and Richard II wanted.
- Describe the aftermath of the Peasant's revolt and what it meant for Peasant's lives.

The War of the Roses

- Explore key figures and events of the War of the Roses, identifying how people were all related and important moments along the 34 year conflict
- Focus on key Topic related vocabulary around Lancaster and York.
- Identify key events in the story of the Battle of Hastings relating to these characters
- Introduction to Henry Tudor and the Battle of Bosworth Fields as Segway into the Tudors

History

| | The curriculum aims to develop pupil's creative e order to develop their own skills. | operiences, techniques and analytical skills. Pupils will learn about great artists and designers in | |
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| Art & Design | order to develop their own skills. Cakes and Sweets Mod Roc To draw the Wayne Thiebaud Gumball Machine To learn about the colour wheel To use the watercolour to paint the gumball machine To understand how to apply tone to the work To learn to draw a 3D form (cupcake) from observation To create a Modroc Cupcake Evaluation | Day of the Dead activities An Introduction to Mexican Culture and Day of the Dead festival To create a drawing of a skull in the style of the artist Carolyn Leigh on a piece of black paper using a white pencil To produce an observational drawing of Day of the Dead skull and patterns using felt tips and a fine line pen To create a paper collage of patterned skulls. To do a colourful oil pastel study To colour a paper face mask using felt tips with the reference to Thaneeya McArdle To make a 3D clay 'sugar skull' | Printing To explore different printing techniques: Relief Collagraph Printing of a pepper (vegetable) Lino Printing of self with the reference to Kathe Kolwitz String Printing to make a wallpaper of a beetle Mono printing of trainers. Indian block-printing of simple shapes on a piece of fabric Potato Printing inspired by Orla Kiely |

| The curriculum aims to develop pupils creative experiences using a range of textiles and techniques and analytical skills. Pupils will learn about great |
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| artists and textiles designers to develop their own skills. Pupils will be involved in at least one project each term. |

Jon Burgerman inspired product in felt & tiedye

- Pupils complete their own samples of rendering and use these techniques to add colour to the Burgerman Characters they have selected
- To create a research page on the artist Jon Burgerman
- Use a sewing machine to follow the outlines of the Burgerman Characters
- Create a sample of different stitching on the sewing machine
- Create a tie dye sample for you to create your Burgerman characters on
- Draw your own Jon Burgerman style characters
- Using your chosen design, draw your paper pattern pieces for each part of your character
- Cut out your fabric and tack together
- Create one of your design ideas using a sewing machine stitch
- Learn how to sew a button and create a sample
- Complete Jon Burgerman textiles pieces

Edo Morales Selfie

- Look at the work of Ed Morales
- Complete mark making exercises and use these over their photograph
- Learn new textile techniques of collograph, monoprints and raw edge machine applique
- Begin final pieces focusing on the background prints to begin with.
- Begin to add in the details of their final piece
- Analyse and evaluate

Holly Levell Cushion

- Look at the work of Holly Levell. Introduction to analysing artists work as a class
- Observational sketches shading techniques using coloured pencils
- Sampling textile techniques, embroidery, tie dye and applique. Evaluation of samples
- Create x4 different cushion designs
- Complete design pages and prepare tie dye
- Practical for the front panel of the cushion applique / embroidery
- Continue with hand stitching whilst rotating to use sewing machines to sew up their cushions
- Final finishing touches on practical work

Textiles

Fabric Weaving Activities

- Create a basket weaving piece using yarns for weaving
- Make a Sun Burst Weaving piece using materials for weaving
- Create a hula hoop weaving piece using different pieces of fabric and ribbons for weaving
- Collect fallen leaves, petals, twigs or foliage on a nature walk around the school and use them to make a nature weaving piece
- Make a rainbow weaving piece using coloured wools for weaving

Sock Monsters

- Create a PowerPoint on John Murphy
- Create design ideas to make a sock monster inspired by John Murphy
- Make a sock monster using material such as old/odd socks, buttons, beads and ribbon
- Evaluate

Our Fabric faces

Exploring Fabrics

Explore fabrics

Making Hair

- Explore and evaluate how hair is created using different materials
- Select a material and shape it

Joining Fabrics

Join fabrics together and attach different materials

Face Shapes and Templates

 Cut on a line and use a template to create a fabric face shape

Designing Our Fabric Faces

- Create and follow a design criteria
- Think of ideas, discuss them and then create a design

Making Our Fabric Faces

- Carefully select fabrics and materials.
- Follow a design carefully and use different tools to make a fabric face

Fabric Buntings

- Design a bunting flag
- Use a paper template to help cut out a fabric shape
- Use a running stitch to join fabric
- Select fabrics that are suitable for decorating my bunting
- Join fabrics
- Evaluation

| | Pupils will develop an understanding about the foundations of healthy eating, cooking and nutritic | on. This will be demonstrated through a series of | |
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| | planning, making and evaluating a variety of modified healthy products and making links to the Ear | twell guide. | |
| | Selecting and using tools and equipment safely | Understanding the function of ingredients. | |
| | Practical work will include: | Selecting ingredients and making products to | |
| | Homemade pizza | increase the use of fruit and vegetables in our | |
| | Fruit crumble | diet focussing on the importance of buying locally produced foods in order to reduce the global impact of moving foods. | |
| | Vegetable soup | | |
| _ | Pasta salad | grand impact of meaning result. | |
| Food | Meringue nests | Practical work will include: | |
| Technology | | ■ Jam making & plate tart | |
| | | Cottage pie | |
| | | Stir fryBurritos | |
| | | ■ Lemon Bars | |
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| | The curriculum aims to develop pupil's creative design work through practising different manufacturing skills, techniques and processes. Theory | | |
| | related learning covers key aspects of materials technology, sustainability, health and safety. Pupil below. | ls will make a variety of projects from the options | |
| | Rotation 1 | Rotation 2 | |
| | Jitterbug – design and manufacture an electronic vibrating bug from acrylic | Memphis clock – design and manufacture a clock | |
| Design & | | using acrylic and HIPS based on the strong shapes | |
| Technology | Swing creature – design and manufacture an old fashioned swinging children's toy using softwood and ply | and colours used during the Memphis movement | |
| C, | | Desk tidy - design and manufacture a desk tidy | |
| | Door sign – design and manufacture a personalised door sign for a bedroom using ply and MDF | using timbers, plastics and metals to keep your desk free of clutter | |
| | Monster picker – design and manufacture a monster inspired litter picker using softwood and ply | | |
| | | Deaf shaky hand game - design and manufacture an electronic game suitable for deaf users | |

| | Rotation 1 | Rotation 2 |
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| | Ball maze - design and manufacture a ball maze from softwood and ply | Jitterbug - design and manufacture an electronic vibrating bug from acrylic |
| | Spinning top - design and manufacture a pair of spinning top and launching device from softwood and ply Badge/magnet - design and manufacture an RSDD badge or fridge magnet followed by a design of your own choosing | Swing creature - design and manufacture an old fashioned swinging children's toy using softwood and ply Door sign - design and manufacture a personalised door sign for a bedroom using ply and MDF Monster picker - design and manufacture a monster inspired litter picker using softwood and ply |
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| | The curriculum aims to develop pupils knowledge of music, instruments and rhythm. Pupil's have to choir and also in school productions. | he opportunity to be involved in the school signing |
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| | Melody and accompaniment | Exploring Classical music and the Orchestra |
| Music | Melody and accompaniment Explore the concepts of melody and different kinds of accompaniment from chords to countermelody Explore the concepts of melody and scale, and will learn the notes for a Pentatonic scale in C. Use keyboards and a mix of other instruments to explore, play and then compose a melody using Pentatonic notes | Exploring Classical music and the Orchestra Learn about different instruments and instrument families of the Orchestra and the role of the Conductor Explore famous deaf Classical musicians both old and new represented by Beethoven and Evelyn Glennie |
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where and why it is performed.

structure of Gamelan music

■ Explore the instrumentation, texture and

| | The Curriculum aims to develop pupils' performance skills and confidence through creative group work. | | | | |
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| Drama | Mime ■ Developing techniques of non-verbal communication in drama ■ Using imaginative skills to develop stories in mime ■ Develop confidence in using physical skills to communicate a story ■ Creating and recording a video performance of a story | | Pantomime Exploring stagecraft in a Pantomime Develop performance skills by taking on a specific role in a story Work in a group to explore the text and create a dramatic performance Creating and recording a video performance of a play | | |
| Physical Education (PE) | The PE curriculum is designed to improve the we opportunity to take part in inter and intra sports OAA Team work, simple map reading skills Dodgeball Target sport which focuses on throwing and catching and attempting to outwit opponents Gymnastics Using basic movement to copy and create a routine Basketball Small sided games focusing on passing, dribbling and shooting | ell-being and fitness of all pupils at RSDD through and competitions and festivals. Tri Golf Skills linked to golf – putting, chipping, stance and swing, sessions delivered by golf coach. Tennis Movement around the court, backhand, forehand shots, overarm and underarm serve Trampolining To work through the British Gymnastics trampoline award scheme | Football Skills related to spatial awareness, passing, scoring, dribbling and movement with the ball Cycling Skills related to use of brakes, gears and balance on a 2 or 3 wheel bike. Athletics Practice track and field events then record distance and times Cricket Catch, throw, field and batting | | |

Citizenship equips young people with the knowledge, skills and understanding to play an effective role in public life. Citizenship encourages interest in controversial topics to engage young people in discussions and debates. Pupils learn about rights, responsibilities and take part in decision making activities.

Getting to know the Secondary Department

- Timetables
- Staff
- Organisation

Deaf Identity and Heritage

- Meeting members of the deaf community
- Deaf awareness and history
- History of RSDD

Remembrance Day

- Why do we have Remembrance Day? Citizenship
- How to be a god citizen in the wider community
- How to be a good citizen in school

The Monarchy

- Members of the Monarchy
- The role of the Monarchy

Christmas Traditions

Christmas celebratrations across the world

Rights & Responsibilities

- What rights should all children have?
- What are our responsibilities?

Community Project

 A project to improve the school environment

Politics

- Political Parties in the UK
- Elections in the UK
- School election vote for a themed lunch

School Enterprise Project

- Pupils supported to be social entrepreneurs, fundraisers, campaigners and volunteers for charities and good causes
- Use skill, imagination and peers to develop mini charity projects to benefit the wider community
- Organise a stall for Open Day
- Work within a theme and budget
- Create advertising materials
- Communicate with others
- Develop an understanding of buying and selling

Citizenship

| | life. Skills & Qualities What am I good at? What do I need to improve? | Setting Targets How to set targets Setting long term and short term targets | Routes to Employment People follow different pathways to employment i.e. through education/work |
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| | What were my biggest achievements in primary? Developing skills and aspirations How to be enterprising, including skills | | Employment What are the different types of employment e.g. voluntary, full time, part time |
| Careers Education Information & | of problem-solving, communication, teamwork, leadership, risk- management, and creativity About a broad range ofcareers and the | | |
| Guidance | abilities and qualities required for different careers about equality of opportunity | | |
| | How to challenge stereotypes, broaden their horizons and how to identify future career aspirations About the link between values and career choices | | |
| | The RE curriculum promotes the spiritual, moral | , cultural, mental and physical development of pu | upils at the school and of society, and prepares |
| Religious Education (RE) | pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and What does it take for a new religion to start? What is religion? Symbols How religion started What makes a good leader? Places of worship Religious artefacts | | Do we need to prove God's existence? Explain arguments for the existence of God Explain one or more arguments for the existence of God. Contrast one argument for the existence of God with a non-religious world view for example Humanist |

| PSHF | | understanding, attitudes and practical skills to liv Emotions My emotions Core emotion groups The emotional barometer Being a friend Good friendship behaviour | Nationality What is British? How do I self-identify? What are the core British values? Social stories of migration and identity Special people in our community, including the |
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| PSHE | ■ E Safety | Friendship problems- my behaviour can affect others Developing strategies for managing feelings When I have a problem Growing up Inside men and women How babies are made Changing bodies Looking after babies | emergency services and contacting them SMILE Communicating with unfamiliar people Developing strategies for being understood |
| | Wellbeing lessons aim to support PSHE lessons in wellbeing, stay safe and healthy, build and mainta | helping pupils develop the knowledge, skills and a | attributes needed to protect and enhance their |
| Wellbeing | Transition and safety How to identify, express and manage their emotions in a constructive way How to manage the challenges of moving to a new school How to establish and manage friendships World Mental Health Day (10/10/23) Anti-Bullying Week (13/11/23 – 17/11/23) First Aid Awareness | Diversity About living in a diverse society How to challenge prejudice, stereotypes and discrimination The signs and effects of all types of bullying, including online How to respond to bullying of any kind, including online How to support others | Building relationships How to develop self-worth and self-efficacy About qualities and behaviours relating to different types of positive relationships How to recognise unhealthy relationships How to recognise and challenge media stereotypes How to evaluate expectations for romantic relationships |

• 'Alright Charlie' (Online Safety/Safer

Internet Day 06/02/24)

World Health Day (07/04/24)

Audiology

About consent, and how to seek and

assertively communicate consent

Pride Month (June 2024)