



St. John Fisher

Catholic Nursery & Primary School

	Year 4 Long Term Curriculum Overview		
Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Reading	Focus Texts Escape from Pompeii – Christina Balit The Incredible Book Eating Boy - Oliver Jeffers - Infer characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions. - Use skim and scan reading skills to retrieve specific information efficiently.	Focus Texts The Pied Piper – Michael Morpurgo Egyptian Cinderella – Shirley Climo – Discuss range of narrative stories and consider differences and similarities. – Identify the main idea and the message it may have. – Find words and language that writers have used to show atmosphere, mood or feelings. – Recognise different types of poems. – Explain the effect created by the poet's	 Focus Texts The Promise - Nicola Davies Can you See Me? - Libby Scott Understand that writers open stories in different ways. Make connections with books with similar themes. Summarise the main idea of a text in a sentence. Understand that the meaning of poems can be enhanced through
	Oracy - Give an opinion with a reason. - Listen to others' opinions. - Use Standard English to give an opinion. - Recite/perform own compositions.	 Choice of words and language. Oracy Give an opinion with a reason. Listen to others' opinions. Use Standard English to give an opinion. Recite/perform own compositions. 	 performance. Oracy Prepare poems to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.
	Guided Reading Varjak Paw -S.F Said +Non-fiction and Poetry	Guided Reading The Matilda Effect – Ellie Irving +Non-fiction & Poetry Explain, Retrieve, Inference and Choice	Guided Reading The Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Grahame + Non-fiction and Poetry Explain, Retrieve, Inference and Choice





Writing	 Explain, Retrieve, Inference and Choice Writing Understand that paragraphs mark changes in place, time or event. Develop and rehearse opening sentences for planned paragraphs. Plan an opening and a closing appropriate to the text type. Know the audience for the writing. 	 Writing Write and evaluate the effectiveness of the opening in giving sufficient information to engage and interest the reader. Identify the plot structure. Write and evaluate ending of the narrative. 	 Writing Draw on appropriate models for own writing. Make careful choices about the vocabulary to be used throughout. Know that the ending of a narrative needs to relate to the beginning. Understand that the language and
	 Use expanded noun phrases in own writing to add detail. Choose when to use a how, when or where fronted adverbial for an identified purpose. (For example, how a character was feeling) Recognise that a fronted adverbial can be used to show changes in time and place at the beginning of paragraphs. Check own writing for repetition of nouns. 	 Know that the opening sentence (topic sentence) introduces the point. Grammar Use apostrophes for possession correctly in own writing. Use inverted commas for direct speech. Use the comma to mark the reporting clause in direct speech in writing. 	vocabulary used is related to the text type. Grammar Develop noun phrases expanded before and after the noun. Evaluate their effectiveness in painting a picture in words for the reader. Choose when to use a how, when or where fronted adverbial for an identified purpose.
Maths	Unit 1: Place value – 4 digit numbers (1) Unit 2: Place value – 4 digit numbers (2) Unit 3: Addition and Subtraction Unit 4: Measure - area	Unit 6: Multiplication and Division (2) Unit 7: Length and perimeter Unit 8: Fractions (1) Unit 9: Fractions (2)	Unit 11: Decimals (2) Unit 12: Money Unit 13: Time Unit 14: Geometry – angles and 2D shapes





	Unit 5: Multiplication and Division (1)	Unit 10: Decimals (1)	Unit 15: Statistics
		, ,	Unit 16: Geometry – position and direction
RE	Please see attached Come and See termly letters		
Science	Living Things and Their Habitats	Sound	Working Scientifically
	(Classifying and Changes to habitats)		
		Electricity	States of Matter
	Animals Including Humans		
	(Health, Teeth and Digestion)		
Computing	Fake of Real?	Cinderella/Dinosaurs?	Games Designer
	Digital Literacy, looking at Fake News and	Information Technology – Using Green	Computer Science – Solving a problem
	the impact of Social Media	Screen technology	by breaking it down into its smaller
	Hour of Code	Data Handling	parts.
	Computer Science – Use conditional	Information Technology- Using	River Mersey/Endangered Animals?
	statements to control devices or achieve	spreadsheets/databases to analyse data	<i>Information Technology</i> – Poster and
	specific outcomes. Testing programs and	and present information.	Video
	suggest improvements.		
Geography	Rainforests	Europe and a study of Greece	South America - The Amazon Basin
	Children learn about the importance of	Children will use map skills to locate countries	Children will use map skills to locate
	rainforests to the rest of the world, and	and capital cities within Europe. They will also	countries within South America and use
	how they are being threatened. They	look at human and physical features of	lines of longitude to identify time zones.
	will learn about a rainforest biome	Europe. This will include exploring the	They will study both human and physical
	including climate, layers, flora and	migration crisis across Europe. They will then	features of South America, and will focus on
	fauna, and people. They will also use	focus on one country, Greece.	the country Brazil to make comparisons
	map skills to locate the major Tropical		with England.
	Rainforests of the world.		
History	Why should we thank the Ancient	What impact did the Roman Empire have on	Who were the suffragettes and what did
	Greeks?	Britain?	they do?
Art	Storytelling Through Drawing	Exploring Still Life	Sculpture





	Drawing and Sketch books	Pupils will understand the term 'still life' and compare traditional and contemporary still life art including artists Cezanne, before creating their own still life work focusing on line, shape, form, colour and texture.	Children will look at 'Conference of the Birds' by Marcus Coates and Nami Island's Exhibition on the 'Migration Project' to see how artists make links with other life, to learn more about our own lives. This unit focuses on making this link with birds, and pupils will explore, design and then create a 3D bird nest using a combination of different media.
DT	Textiles	Food	Electrical Systems
	To create a Christmas stocking	Pizza	Create a warning system
Music	Violin Lessons	Violin Lessons	Violin Lessons
MFL	French	French	French
	Welcome to School, Super Learners	Family Tree and Faces	Feeling Unwell/Jungle Animals
	My Local Area, Your Local Area	Celebrating Carnival/Body Part	Summer Time
PE	Outdoor Adventure Activities	Dance - Pupils will focus on creating	Dance - Use actions, dynamics, space and
	Gymnastics	characters and narrative through movement	relationships to represent a state of matter,
	Netball - Pupils develop their netball	and gesture. This will involve remembering	and to use rhythm and energy to perform
	skills and begin to understand the	and creating choreography within two	1960's dance style e.g. The Twist
	importance of fair play and honesty while	themes: Carnival and Spies.	Athletics - pupils will develop basic running,
	self-managing games and learning and	Tag Rugby – The children will continue to	jumping and throwing techniques. They are
	abiding by key rules, as well as evaluating	practice offensive and defensive moves within	set challenges for distance and time that
	their own and others' performances.	the rules of the game, and gain increasing	involve using different styles and
		control and skill with movement on and off	combinations of running, jumping and
		the ball. They will also begin to look at tactics	throwing. As in all athletic activities, pupils
		they can use to benefit their team.	think about how to achieve their greatest
		Tennis – Children will continue to develop	possible speed, distance or accuracy and
		their racquet skills, practising forehand,	





Reading	backhand and returning to the rest position to help build up a rally. Cricket - In this unit pupils explore their understanding of the principles of striking and fielding. They expand on their knowledge of the different roles of bowler, wicket keeper, fielder and batter. Fitness - pupils will take part in a range of activities that explore and develop different areas of their health and fitness. Pupils will be given opportunities to work at their maximum and improve their fitness levels, recognising how the activities make them feel. They will need to persevere when they get tired or when they find a challenge hard and are encouraged to support others to do the same. Bill's New Frock, Varjak Paw, Voices in the Park, The Snowalker's Son, The Butterfly Lion,
Spine	Charlotte Webb, Mr Stink, I was a Rat, Perry Angle's Suitcase