



Grimsdyke School

Long Term Curriculum Overview (2023 – 2024)

Year 2



	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2	Spring Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
Topic/Theme	Fabulously Famous	Sparks and Flames	The Far East	Animal Adventures	Who's the King or Queen of the Castle?	Caribbean Celebration
English: Whole class reading and text focus	Real Heroes By Ciaran Murtagh Speak Up By Nathan Bryon	Remembrance Day poems and others Vlad and the Great Fire of London By Sam Cunningham	The Magic Paintbrush By Julia Donaldson The Willow Pattern Story By Allan Drummond	Aesop's Fables The Journey Home By Frann Preston-Gannon	The Queen's Hat By Steve Antony The Very Last Castle Travis Jonker	Faruq and the Wiri Wiri by Sophia Payne To Carnival! A Celebration in Saint Lucia by Baptiste Paul
English: Writing focus and text types	Fact files Diary entries	Poetry Story writing	Character descriptions Setting descriptions Traditional stories with beginning, middle and end	Letter writing Explanation text - fable	Poetry Descriptive writing	Instruction writing Recount
Maths	Place value Addition and subtraction	Addition and subtraction (continued) 2D and 3D Shapes (polygons and prisms) Symmetry	Money Multiplication and Division	Multiplication and Division Length and height Mass, Capacity and Temperature	Fractions Telling the time	Statistics - Tally charts, pictograms and block diagrams Position and Direction



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Science	<i>Living things and their habitats</i>	<i>Uses of everyday materials</i>	<i>Living things and their habitats- Around the world</i>	<i>Plants</i>	<i>Animals, including humans 1- Growth</i>	<i>Animals, including humans 2- Lifecycles</i>
Computing	<i>Information Technology around us</i>	<i>Digital Photography</i>	<i>Programming A – Robot Algorithms (Beebots & Espresso)</i>	<i>Creating Media – Digital music</i>	<i>Programming B – Programming quizzes</i>	<i>Data and Information- Pictograms</i>
History	<i>Heroes and Heroines - significant individuals</i>	<i>Sparks and Flames – Great Fire of London</i>	<i>The Far East – China and Shang Dynasty</i>		<i>The Royal Family: Past and present</i>	<i>Explorers</i>
Geography		<i>My local area – buildings and services</i>	<i>The Far East – Asia and China</i>	<i>Seasonal Changes – weather, temperature and animals (hibernation, migration, nocturnal animals, spring)</i>		<i>The Caribbean</i>
P.E.	<i>Games for understanding</i>	<i>Rackets, bats and balls</i>	<i>Gymnastics</i>	<i>Health and Wellbeing</i>	<i>Athletics</i>	<i>Explorers</i>
PSHE (Jigsaw)	<i>Being me in my world</i>	<i>Celebrating difference</i>	<i>Dreams and goals</i>	<i>Healthy me</i>	<i>Relationships (SRE) – following Grimsdyke’s SRE curriculum</i>	<i>Changing Me (SRE) – following Grimsdyke’s SRE curriculum</i>
Art and Design	Making a sketchbook Painting <i>City Landscapes and portraits (Van Gogh and Ls Lowry)</i> <i>Colour wheel and contrasting colours</i>	Printmaking and Collage <i>Mono printing and carbon paper techniques</i>	Drawing <i>Drawing media and techniques</i> Painting <i>Texturing, layering, pattern and lines</i>	Drawing <i>Drawing from memory and imagination</i> Observational drawings	Digital Media <i>Taking photos</i>	Art from a different culture <i>Caribbean art</i>
Design and Technology		<i>Suitability of materials: Making Tudor houses</i>	<i>Sewing and weaving</i> <i>Sew a Chinese symbol</i>	<i>Exploring Set Design: Habitat in a Matchbox (shoe boxes)</i>	<i>Making castles (mechanisms - sliders, levers, hinges)</i>	<i>Food from the Caribbean</i>



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Music	Ourselves <i>Music Focus: Exploring Sounds</i> Toys <i>Music Focus: Beat</i>	Our Land <i>Music Focus: Exploring Sounds</i> Our Bodies <i>Music Focus: Beat</i>	Animals <i>Music Focus: Pitch</i> Number <i>Music Focus: Beat</i>	Story Time <i>Music Focus: Exploring Sounds</i> Seasons <i>Music Focus: Pitch</i>	Weather <i>Music Focus: Exploring Sounds</i> Pattern <i>Music Focus: Beat</i>	Water <i>Music Focus: Pitch</i> Travel <i>Music Focus: Performance</i>
R.E	<i>What makes a home?</i> Hinduism & Jainism C/D	<i>How do we remember people and why?</i> Humanism & Christianity C/E	<i>What rules are most important and why?</i> Judaism B/F	<i>Why is the cross important to Christians?</i> Christianity A/E	<i>How are we the same and different from other people and does it matter?</i> Islam & Baha'i B/D	<i>What does faith say about change? How does it make us feel and how can we become better?</i> Buddhism A/F
Curriculum Enrichment	CREW – Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole Dress up day – Famous People Coding Day	CREW – The Great Fire of London Recreate the burning of Tudor houses Year 2 Christmas performance Christmas Panto	Chinese New Year activities	Planting in the plant beds Local area walk to observe local wildlife	Kings and Queens day Windsor Castle visit	Dress up day – Carnivals Food experience day linked to carnival Visit to the Zoo (Whipsnade)