

Year 1 Curriculum overview 2026/27

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
English	The Singing Mermaid Zog The Oak Tree Trixie The Witch's Cat	The Magic Paintbrush How to catch a star Mama Panya's Pancakes Mr. Wolf's Pancakes	How to wash a woolly mammoth Jack and the Jellybean Stalk The Tiny Seed
	Firework Poetry Bertie's Poppy Snowball The Christmas Pine Christmas Poetry	Lost in the Toy Museum Toys and Games We're Going on an Egg Hunt Easter Poetry	Lost and Found The Way Back Home Letters to new teacher Summer themed poetry
Phonics	Little Wandle	Little Wandle	Little Wandle
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Handwriting	Little Wandle Unit 1 – Lower case letters	Little Wandle Unit 3 – Forming digits Unit 4 – Digraphs and trigraphs	Little Wandle Unit 6 – words with phase 5 GPCs Unit 7 – Days of the week
	Little Wandle Unit 2 – Applying Capital letters	Little Wandle Unit 4 – Digraphs and trigraphs Unit 5 – Useful words	Little Wandle Unit 8 – Sentences with punctuation Unit 9 – Sentences with useful words
Core books	Handa's Surprise – Eileen Brown Mr Grumpy's Outing John Burningham Mrs Armitage on Wheels Quentin Blake On the Way Home Jill Murphy Six Dinner Sid Inga Moore Whatever Next! Jill Murphy Elmer 30 th Anniversary edition David McKee	Beegu Alexis Deacon Can't You Sleep Little Bear? Martin Waddell Cops and Robbers Allan Ahlberg Dogger Shirley Hughes Lost and Found Oliver Jeffers Peace at Last Jill Murphy	Avocado Baby John Burningham The Elephant and the Bad Baby Elfrida Vipont The Tiger who came to tea Judith Kerr Where The Wild Things Are Maruice Sendak
Maths	Place Value within 10 Addition and Subtraction within 10	Place Value within 20 Addition and Subtraction within 20	Multiplication and Division Fractions Position and Direction
	Addition and Subtraction within 10 Shape End of term assessments	Place Value within 50 Length and Height Mass and Volume End of term assessments	Place Value within 100 Money Time End of term assessments
Science KAPOW	Seasonal Changes	Sensitive Bodies	Introduction to Plants
	Everyday Materials	Comparing Animals	Investigating Science through stories
Art and Design KAPOW	Drawing – exploring line and shape	Painting – Colour Splash	Sculpture and 3D Paper Play
Computing KAPOW	Computer Systems – Using Computers	Programming 2 - Beebots	Creating Media – Digital Designers 2
	Programming 1 - Commands Unplugged	Creating Media – Digital Designers 1	Data Handling – Introduction to data
	Online safety – ongoing		
Design technology KAPOW	Mechanisms – Matching Slider Game	Textiles – Puppets	Mechanisms – Wheels and Axles + Making smoothies (PSCHE Week)
Geography KAPOW	What is it like here?	What is the weather like in the UK?	What is it like to live in Shanghai?
History KAPOW	How am I making history	How have toys changed	How have explorers changed the world
Music KAPOW	Keeping the Pulse My Favourite Things	Dynamics Seaside	Dynamics, timbre and tempo motifs space

	Tempo snail and mouse	Sound Patterns Fairytale	Myths and Legends
PE	Rugby Gymnastics	Cricket Games	Games
	Moving Monkeys – Dance	Dance Games	Yoga Dance
PSHE Jigsaw	Being Me in my world Celebrating Difference	Dreams & Goals Healthy Me	Relationships Changing Me
RE Jigsaw	What do Christians believe about God?	Who is God to the Jews	Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?
	What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus	Why was Jesus welcomed like a king on Palm Sunday	Does visiting a synagogue help Jewish children feel closer to God
Enhancement	Local walks Poetry Book Day Dock Museum/Channel Side St Paul's Woods	Nature Reserve visit Maths Book Day RSPB – Big Bird Watch Reservoir	Dock Museum
	cinema visits Draw and Doodle Book Day Care Home Visits External sports provision	Ulverston Canal Walk Town Hall visit Fact and Fiction Book Day Care Home Visits External sports provision	Teddy Bears Picnic Sports Activities) Care Home Visits Visitors in school linked to PSCE week External sports provision
Celebrations/Special Events	Harvest Scarecrow Festival	New Years Resolutions PSCE week World Book Day Comic Relief Ramadam (10 th March – 9 th April) Islam Holi (8 th March) Hindu Dance a thon	Walk to school week Tour De Brisbane
	Halloween World Kindness Day Children in Need Bonfire Night Fire Safety Divali Advent Christmas Plays Christmas Events	Spring Festivals (whole school) Easter Easter Events Spring Class Assembly	Carnival – Arts Week End of school year