



Parkgate Junior School Curriculum Overview for Year 3

‘Our school is a happy, dynamic learning community, where every child is inspired by discovery and learning to reach their full potential, in preparation for a successful future’

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Literacy	Explore and engage – The Journey Instruction writing Narrative writing Poetry Report writing Grammar – word classes The Paper Bag Princess – recounts Mini Rabbit – dialogue Traditional tales	Informative leaflet Summary writing Non-fiction texts Poetry Letter writing Narrative writing Biography writing Traditional tales	Descriptive writing Report writing Argument construction Narrative writing Features of fables Fable writing Poetry Persuasive arguments Diary recount writing
Computing	Online safety, Coding Spreadsheets <i>XC Link to PSHE: E-safety</i>	Touch typing, Emails Branching database <i>XC Link to PSHE: E-safety</i>	Simulations, Graphing Presenting – word and google <i>XC Link to PSHE: E-safety</i>
History	Stone age Bronze age Iron age <i>(XC Link to Art)</i>	Local history - Watford <i>(XC Link to Geography skills)</i>	
Big Questions	Is it right to change/ deface the world's natural landscape? Do forces really exist or are they just ways of describing a situation? What is Science? What is a Scientist? Should you collect fossils or leave them in their environment? Is it sustainable to use fossil fuels?	How can astronauts protect themselves from the sun when visiting Mars? How can you tell if something is a plant? Is a tree alive? Could we use the sun to help find our way on Mars? Would you rather live in the city or countryside? Which sport is easier to learn Gymnastics or Basketball? Should we always be working towards a goal? Are we responsible for the area we live in?	Is winning the most important thing? Why do animals eat different things? What if you only ate chips? What is a balanced diet for us and the planet? What is art? Should other countries help when there is a natural disaster? Are we all responsible for protecting the rainforest? Is it more important to give people things or to help them?

Science	Forces and magnets Rocks and fossils <i>(XC Link to History)</i>	Light Plants	Animals including humans – skeletons, nutrition and Key Scientists; working scientifically skills <i>(XC Link to P.E)</i> <i>(XC Link to art)</i>
International activities	Climate change/ weather discussion with international schools. Christmas cards	Easter cards to Artes/ Tarnsjo	Food festivals End of year message
Spanish	Classroom instructions, Greetings , Telling your name, Halloween, Numbers 1-10 , Christmas, colours <i>(XC Link to R.E)</i>	Days of the week Months, Dates Numbers 1- 31 Carnival theme Age, Birthdays, Easter theme	Family members, Genealogical tree Pets Nursery Rhymes
RE	Christian and Muslim beliefs and practices Religious leaders, Christmas traditions <i>(XC Link to PSHE)</i>	Events in Jesus life Parables, Easter story	Rules and how they influence actions Special places of Muslims and Christians <i>(XC Link to PSHE)</i>
Maths	Place value, counting, comparing, ordering numbers, mental addition, mental subtraction, written addition and subtraction, problem solving, statistics, angles, word problems	Lines, 2D shapes, perimeter, multiplication, division, fractions, multiples	Multiplication and division , units of time, telling the time, durations of time, securing 4 operations, decimals
PE	Gymnastic Dance Hockey	Gymnastics Basketball Tennis	Athletics Cricket Rounders OAA <i>(XC Link to Science)</i>
Design and Technology	Levers and linkages <i>(XC Link to Science - Forces)</i>	Research. Design and creating a light <i>(XC Link to Science - electricity)</i>	Pizza design and making
Geography		Watford- a local study, physical and human geography Land use in the U.K <i>(XC Link to Local History topic)</i>	Rainforest - maps, comparison, physical and human geography Extreme earth - physical geography including volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunami

PSHE and P4C	Jigsaw: Being me in the world Jigsaw: celebrating difference, anti-bullying week (XC Link to R.E)	Jigsaw: dreams and goals Jigsaw: Healthy me (XC Link to Science)	Jigsaw: relationships Jigsaw: changing me (XC Link to R.E)
Art and Design	Stone age painting (XC Link to History) Pastel work Artist Study - Yinki Ilori	Artist Study - Quinten Blake	Artist study – Henri Rousseau
Enrichment and Trips	Church visit Mosque visit Sharing religious artefacts and experiences Watford schools trust Stone age day Veolia bulb planting Harvest festival Year 3 Christmas production	XC week Healthy Heros Watford schools trust Intra school competition Parkgate's got Talent Science Week World earth day	Art day Sports day Athletics family festival STEM trip
Golden Threads	Equality – harvest Global citizenship – climate change focus international link Fairness – school rules	Local community – geography and local History Sustainability – healthy heroes	Equity and inclusion – sports day Local community – sport competitions
British Values	Rule of law – school rules Mutual respect – playground behavior Democracy – school council voting	Tolerance – local community Individual liberty – linked with R.E topics	Rule of law – sports day. R.E Mutual respect – family festivals

Golden Threads – Equality, Equity and Inclusion, Global Citizenship, Fairness, Local Community, Sustainability

Cross Curricular Links

British Values: Democracy, Rule of law, Individual liberty, Mutual respect, Tolerance