Year 3 Autumn Term 2023/24 Overview

<u>Art</u>	Computing & Online Safety	Design Technology
Sycamore class will be looking at the works of Elizabeth Blackwell and Sydney Parkinson. We will be focussing on their techniques and will recreate their work using watercolour.	Autumn 1: Computing systems and networks – connecting computers. Autumn 2: Creating media – animation	Our topic is mechanical systems. We will be looking at how different mechanical systems work before creating a drawbridge.
English	French	Geography
We will be basing our writing topic on our reading text. Our focus will be on writing sentences containing direct speech and writing our own 'missing chapter' of The Firework Maker's Daughter.	Autumn 1: We will focus on basic greetings, days of the week and numbers to 20. Autumn 2: Body parts and instructions in French.	We will be focussing on locational and place knowledge, identifying geographical locations in the United Kingdom.
History	Maths	Music
In History, we will be focussing on the Romans. As a class we will be exploring how the Roman Empire changed Britain.	This term, our focus will be on numbers to 1,000. We will be looking at addition and subtraction, before moving onto multiplication.	In music Sycamore class will be developing their understanding of key musical terms. We will be practising using expression in singing before preparing for a performance.
PE	PSHE/RHSE	RE
Autumn 1: Netball and gymnastics. Autumn 2: 'Invictus' games and drumba.	Autumn 1: What community means to me. Focussing on the different types of community which we belong to. Autumn 2: Keeping safe (road and fire safety)	This term Sycamore class will be focussing on Pilgrimages and how individuals express their religious and spiritual beliefs. Sycamore class will also be looking at Journeys and Mary's milestones or her journey to Bethlehem.
Science	Whole Class Reading	
In Autumn 1 the science focus will be States of Matter, developing our understanding of the water cycle and how materials change state. In Autumn 2, the children will be looking at living things and their habitats. Exploring classification keys as well as recognising that environments can change.	We will be reading The Firework Maker's Daughter by Phillip Pullman.	

Maths and English are taught daily. Computing, French, music, PE, science and PSHE/RHSE are taught weekly. The other subjects are taught in small blocks unless they are covered by a PPA teacher.