Avenue Junior School

Year 3 Curriculum Document 2025-26

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Term	**Autumn 1**	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**	**Spring 2**	**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**
Topic	**Explorers** What does it take to be an explorer?	**Stone Age** Stone Age Societies; Savage of Civilised?	**Sustainability** How are we changing the planet?	**ART** What can we learn from art?	**Ancient Egypt** Why is the River Nile important to Ancient Egypt?	**Ancient Egypt** What was daily life like for the Ancient Egyptians?
Literature Spine	First to the Top Varjak Paw	Stig of the Dump	One Plastic Bag The Tempest	Cicada by Shaun Tan Graphic Novels Poetry	Marcy and the Sphinx A variety of information texts	Early Civilisations: Egyptian Life So you think you've got it bad?
English	Diary Entry Setting Description	Narrative Informal Letter Balanced Arguments	Advert Podcast Script Play	Formal letters Poetry Structured Poster	Instructional Writing Narrative.	Non-Chronological Report
Maths	Number Place Value Addition Subtraction	Place Value Addition Subtraction Multiplication Division	Multiplication Division Fractions Length Perimeter	Fractions Decimals Length and Perimeter	Mass, Capacity and Volume. Adding and subtracting fractions	2D and 3D shapes. Money Roman Numerals

Science	Light	Rocks	Forces	Forces	Plants	Animals including humans
Humanities (History & Geography)	Maps; grid references, keys, symbols Practical mapping skills Famous Arctic Explorers – Matthew Henson and Robert Peary.	Understanding rock formation; sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic. Paleolithic and Neolithic time periods Chronology and timelines.	Sustainability and recycling. Climate zones Climate change and the greenhouse effect Renewable Energy	Different artistic movements throughout history. Roy Lichtenstein and William T Williams	Waterways as a means for transportation and trade Physical geography of Egypt Digital Mapping Compass Directions	Using historical evidence to learn about life in Ancient Egypt Differences between rich and poor. Learning about Egyptian past-times.
Art and Design		Cave Drawings – pastels, chalks, charcoal.	Creating technical, annotated sketches.	Pop Art – use of primary colours and Ben Day dots. Exploration of various artistic skills and use of different media.	Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphs.	
Design Technology		Sewing – Creating a Stone Age inspired pouch.	Creating puppets		Egyptian foods. Taste and evaluate existing foods. Creating Egyptian inspired foods.	Linkages and levers. Evaluating the effectiveness of a Shaduf. Designing an alternative product.

RE	How do people express commitment to a religion/ worldview in different ways?	What is the Trinity?	What is philosophy? How do people make moral decisions?	What do Muslims believe about God?	What difference does being a Muslim make to daily life?	Reflective activities to promote discussion about world events.
French	Greetings and introduction to French culture	Animals	Instruments	'I am able to…' 'I know how to…'	Ice creams	Fruits and Vegetables
PSHE	Transition Building Friendships School Rules	Families and relationships Anti-bullying week.	Dental health Sleep routines Mental Health Asking for help. Consent	Drugs and alcohol education Understanding that household products and prescription medicines can be harmful	Healthy online and personal relationships Identifying Trusted adults	Body Changes Cleanliness and personal hygiene Peer pressure Sun safety
PE	Dance	Gymnastics	Net and Wall Games	Athletics	Gymnastics	Attacking and defending
Computing	Introduction to computers, basic computing skills and online safety.	Exploring the difference between electrical and digital devices	Introduction to Scratch, basic coding/sequences and ordering commands.	Creating media using technology Stop frame animation.	Digital Publishing. Manipulating text and images.	Programmin g Events and Actions
Music	Musical instruments and their families	Vocal Chords – what are they and how to we look after them? Singing in harmony	Creating percussion instruments from recycled materials.	Exploring the composer Anna Clyde Creating a graphic score. Ukulele	Songs about Ancient Egypt Reading pitch and rhythm notation.	Recorder introduction Reading pitch and rhythm notation


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