



London Colney Primary and Nursery School – Curriculum Overview – Year 4 2020 - 2021

Autumn 1 – 7 Weeks	Autumn 2 – 7 Weeks	Spring 1 – 6 weeks	Spring 2 – 5 Weeks	Summer 1 – 7 weeks	Summer 2 – 6 weeks
Topic Name	Topic Name	Topic Name	Topic Name	Topic Name	Topic Name
Invasions and Conquer!	The Weather – Wonderful or Weird?	What Was Herfordshire Like in the Past?	All Over Britain	Treasure, Temples and Tombs	Road Trip USA
Key Texts	Key Texts	Key Texts	Key Texts	Key Texts	Key Texts
POR – Escape from Pompeii	POR – Ice Palace	POR – The Iron Man	POR – Boy at the Back of the Class	POR – Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx	POR – Varjak Paw
Understanding of the World Focus	Understanding of the World Focus	Understanding of the World Focus	Understanding of the World Focus	Understanding of the World Focus	Understanding of the World Focus
History Focus: The Romans Children to explore and investigate the roman empire and its impact on Britain. Children to learn about Julius Caesar and his attempts to invade and conquer Britain. Children to explore the roman army and their effectiveness in conquering. Children to investigate the British resistance including the role of Boudicca.	Geography Focus: Climate Zones and Biomes Children to develop and extend their understanding of climate zones and weather around the world. Children to learn the meaning of biomes and identify them around the world. Children to consider the types of environments where plants and animals co-exist.	History Focus: Local History Children to explore and investigate how key periods of history have changed and shaped the local area we know now. The historical study can extend beyond 1066.	Geography Focus: Our Counties Children to name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.	History Focus: The Egyptians Children to learn about the achievements of the earliest civilisations through the context of the Ancient Egyptians. Children to learn about the life and times of the Egyptians, including art, religion, culture, entertainment and the rules of Egypt.	Geography Focus: Road Trip USA Children to learn about the continent of North America, identify and name countries within the continent. Children to explore climate, tourism, key landmarks and culture. Children to make comparisons between known locations and places in North America.
Science Focus: Sound Children to identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something that is vibrating. Children to recognise that sounds travel through a medium to the ear. Children to investigate the correlation between pitch, volume and the medium that produces it.	Science Focus: Living Things and Their Habitats Children to recognise that living things can be grouped in various ways. Children to explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. Children to recognise that sometimes environments change and that this may pose danger for animals.	Science Focus: Electricity Children to identify common appliances that run on electricity. Children to construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its key components. Children to investigate how a circuit works with regards to a loop and switch. Children to identify conductors and insulators.	Science Focus: Forces/Rocks/Light (year 3 catch up)	Science Focus: States of Matter Children to compare and group together materials based on whether they are solids, liquids or gases. Children to observe that some materials will change state when heated or cooled and measure / research the temperature when this happens. Children to investigate the role of condensation and evaporation in the water cycle.	Science Focus: Animals Including Humans Children to describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in the human body. Children to identify the different teeth and their functions. Children to construct and interpret a variety of food chains including the consumer, predator and prey.
Computing Focus: Purple Mash – Coding The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://static.purplemash.com/mashcontent/applications/schemes_of_work/computing_schemes_of_work/computing_sow_year4_overview/Purple%20Mash%20Scheme%20of%20Work%20Year%204%20Overview2019.pdf	Computing Focus: Purple Mash – Spreadsheets The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://static.purplemash.com/mashcontent/applications/schemes_of_work/computing_schemes_of_work/computing_sow_year4_overview/Purple%20Mash%20Scheme%20of%20Work%20Year%204%20Overview2019.pdf	Computing Focus: Purple Mash – Writing for Different Audiences The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://static.purplemash.com/mashcontent/applications/schemes_of_work/computing_schemes_of_work/computing_sow_year4_overview/Purple%20Mash%20Scheme%20of%20Work%20Year%204%20Overview2019.pdf	Computing Focus: Purple Mash – Online Safety / Effective Researching The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://static.purplemash.com/mashcontent/applications/schemes_of_work/computing_schemes_of_work/computing_sow_year4_overview/Purple%20Mash%20Scheme%20of%20Work%20Year%204%20Overview2019.pdf	Computing Focus: Purple Mash – Logo The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://static.purplemash.com/mashcontent/applications/schemes_of_work/computing_schemes_of_work/computing_sow_year4_overview/Purple%20Mash%20Scheme%20of%20Work%20Year%204%20Overview2019.pdf	Computing Focus: Purple Mash – Animation / Hardware Investigators The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://static.purplemash.com/mashcontent/applications/schemes_of_work/computing_schemes_of_work/computing_sow_year4_overview/Purple%20Mash%20Scheme%20of%20Work%20Year%204%20Overview2019.pdf
Expressive Arts and Design Focus	Expressive Arts and Design Focus	Expressive Arts and Design Focus	Expressive Arts and Design Focus	Expressive Arts and Design Focus	Expressive Arts and Design Focus
DT Focus: Roman Shields/Helmets Art Focus: Roman Mosaics	DT Focus: Food and Nutrition on Seasonal Food Art Focus: Plant Drawings/Paintings/Modelling	DT Focus: Appliances Art Focus: Chalk and Charcoal/Robot Drawings and Sculpture using Fabric Lenny (Iron Man)	DT Focus: Torches? Art Focus: Stencilling Silhouettes Paper Molas with Animals	DT Focus: Make a Shaduf Art Focus: Mixed media self-portraits/Papyrus Paintings (Egyptian) Artist Week Focus – William Morris / Georges Seurat	DT Focus: Food and Nutrition with a focus on American Food Art Focus: Buildings and Architecture
Music Focus: Charanga – Mamma Mia The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://charanga.com/scheme/1312062-year-4/1312291-mamma-mia	Music Focus: Charanga – Glockenspiel Stage 2 The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://charanga.com/scheme/1312062-year-4/1312313-glockenspiel-stage-2	Music Focus: Charanga – Stop! The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://charanga.com/scheme/1312062-year-4/1312395-stop	Music Focus: Charanga – Lean On Me The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://charanga.com/scheme/1312062-year-4/1313450-lean-on-me	Music Focus: Charanga – Blackbird The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://charanga.com/scheme/1312062-year-4/1314288-blackbird	Music Focus: Charanga – Reflect, Rewind and Replay The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://charanga.com/scheme/1312062-year-4/1314330-reflect-rewind-and-replay
Outdoor Learning Focus:	Outdoor Learning Focus:	Outdoor Learning Focus:	Outdoor Learning Focus:	Outdoor Learning Focus:	Outdoor Learning Focus:
Personal Development Focus	Personal Development Focus	Personal Development Focus	Personal Development Focus	Personal Development Focus	Personal Development Focus
RE Focus: Christianity / Islam / Sikhism Identity and Belonging	RE Focus: Christianity / Islam / Sikhism Beliefs and Practices	RE Focus: Christianity / Islam / Sikhism Symbols and Actions	RE Focus: Christianity / Islam / Sikhism Prayer, Worship and Reflection Sources of Wisdom	RE Focus: Christianity / Islam / Sikhism Human Responsibility and Values Justice and Fairness	RE Focus: Christianity / Islam / Sikhism Ultimate Questions
PSHE Focus: Jigsaw -Being Me in My World Children to explore what makes them them and why that is special, considering their place in this world.	PSHE Focus: Jigsaw-Celebrating Difference Children to discuss and reflect on how people are similar and how they are different, celebrating how diverse our world is.	PSHE Focus: Jigsaw-Dreams and Goals Children to reflect on their ambitions for the future, both short and long term, setting themselves achievable goals.	PSHE Focus: Jigsaw-Healthy Me Children to think about and consider how to stay healthy – both physically and mentally and how a healthy lifestyle can lead to a happy life.	PSHE Focus: Jigsaw-Relationships Children to explore the word relationship and the different forms that can take. Children to consider how to have positive relationships with people through their acts.	PSHE Focus: Jigsaw-Changing Me Children to reflect on their past year and how they have changed. Children to consider the new challenges ahead and how they may face these positively.
PE Focus: Cool Core The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://www.risingstars-uk.com/my-rising-stars/series/champions/resources/champions-year-1-(2)	PE Focus: Boot Camp The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://www.risingstars-uk.com/my-rising-stars/series/champions/resources/champions-year-1-(2)	PE Focus: Step to the Beat The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://www.risingstars-uk.com/my-rising-stars/series/champions/resources/champions-year-1-(2)	PE Focus: Mighty Movers The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://www.risingstars-uk.com/my-rising-stars/series/champions/resources/champions-year-1-(2)	PE Focus: Gymfit Circuits The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://www.risingstars-uk.com/my-rising-stars/series/champions/resources/champions-year-1-(2)	PE Focus: Fitness Frezzy The following link will direct you to the unit overview: https://www.risingstars-uk.com/my-rising-stars/series/champions/resources/champions-year-1-(2)
Enrichment Experiences: History Event	Enrichment Experiences: Food and Nutrition Week	Enrichment Experiences: DT Gallery	Enrichment Experiences: Food and Nutrition Week	Enrichment Experiences: Art Gallery	Enrichment Experiences: Food and Nutrition Week