Blackmoor Park Junior School Year 3 Curriculum Overview

Year 3	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus Texts POR	Leon & The place Between Ug: Boy Genius of the Stoneage	Roald Dahl The Magic Finger	Gorillas	The Lorax Michael Rosen's A-Z Poetry	Greek Myths	Varjak Paw
Science	Rocks	Forces and Magnets	Animals including Humans	British Science Week	Plants	Light
History	Ancient Egypt- Settlements around the Nile. Power structures linked to Geography. Ancient beliefs and customs. Change through time.	Cradles of civilisation Ancient Mesopotomia How different and how similar Ancient Egypt & Ancient Sumer were	Indus Valley – how do we know about it? What kind of settlement was it?	Persia and Greece What did Greek city states have in common?	Greece – what do sources tell us? Art , culture and learning in Ancient Greece.	Alexander the Great Where did Alexander come from? Childhood, education, battles, conquest of Persia
Geography	Rivers The River Indus. How rivers are shaped, the water cycle and flooding	Mountains UK's highest mountainsWhy people live on mountains.	Settlements Different types hamlets,village, towns etc. Patterns of settlement	Agriculture Different types of farming across the UK. How the food we eat effects farming	Volcanoes Structure and composition of the Earth. Why volcanoes erupt. Settlements around Mount Etna	Climate and biomes Climate zones in Europe relationship with oceans. Mediterranean and temperature climates
Art and Design	Drawing and Painitng Inspired by Stoneage cave paintings		Sculpture – drawing in proportion, Create a bird sculpture using mod-roc		Printing and collage Victoria Topping and Ancient Greek artwork	
Design and Technology		Textiles – 2D to 3D shape Making a pencil case Designer study: Cath Kidson		Cooking & Nutrition Making a healthy snack		Mechanisms and mechanical systemsPop up card – link to Leon and the Place Between (big top)
Music	Graphic Scores – dynamics, tempo, pitch, duration	Rhythm and scales	Carnival of the animals. Compose and perform animal inspired compositions	African drumming and cyclic patterns	Musical notation instrument- glockenspiel	Playing glockenspiel and develop knowledge and skills in reading musical notation
Computing	Connecting Computers Identifying that digital devices have inputs, processes, outputs, and how devices can be connected to make networks.	Stop-frame Animation Capturing and editing digital still images to produce a stop-frame animation that tells a story.	Sequence in music Creating sequences in a block-based programming language to make music	Branching Databases Building and using branching databases to group objects using yes/no questions	Desktop Publishing Creating documents by modifying text, images, and page layouts for a specified purpose.	Events and Actions Writing algorithms and programs that use a range of events to trigger sequences of actions.
PSHE and RSE	Emotions and feelings pressure; online community; what do councillors do?; First Aid	Feeling sad and making choices; right and responsibilities	Looking after others; our ideal community.	Keeping safe (viruses and bacteria) special people in school	Life cycle of a human; relationships; accidents and prevention; drug education.	Families who live far away; fair trade and sustainable development; my community and me.
RE	What do different people believe about God?		Why do people pray?		What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?	
PE	Indoor - Gymnastics Outdoor - Netball	Indoor - Dance Outdoor - Basketball	Indoor – Fitness Outdoor - Hockey	Indoor – Dodgeball Outdoor - Football	Indoor – Athletics Outdoor – Cricket	Indoor - OAA outdoor - Tennis
MFL	Introduction to Spanish Basic greeting and days of the week	Greeting continued; feelings; basic instructions; numbers to 10	Zoo animals and adjectives Consolidate greetings	Food & Drink Days of the week, colours, numbers to 20 Spanish cultural event		Months of the year Numbers to 30 birthdays
Author focus	Roald Dahl		Michael Rosen		Marcia Williams	
Enrichment **MIM** = Making It Meaningful	**MIM** – Circus Skills, Stoneage Art and artefacts		**MIM** – Croxteth Farm		**MIM** – Egyptian Day – what the Egyptians taught us	