

Heronsgate Primary School Curriculum Map 2023-2024



'We discover and realise the genius in everyone!'

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Nursery Topics	All About Me	It's Time to Celebrate!	Once Upon a Time	Crazy about Creatures	Changes	New Beginnings
PSED	Settling in, following children's interests from visit to school, Nursery routines and building relationships with new adults and children	Firework safety, taking turns, decorating cards creating salt dough gifts for loved ones. Circle time talking about people who help us	Taking turns and considering others, friendship, circle time on Stranger Danger (Little Red Riding Hood), feelings of characters	Discussing favourite animals and why, carpet time about feeling lonely (The Storm Whale), how can we welcome others?	Circle times talking about how we have changed e.g. from a baby to now, longer hair, getting taller	Talk about Nursery experience and discuss new journey to Reception. Worrysaurus: talking about worries and things excited about
PD	Snack time/toileting, mark-making, gross motor movements, obstacle courses	Diwali pots and Rangoli patterns for fine motor skills, using tools for a purpose, learning to use cutlery, initial letters	Putting on coats independently, building dens for fairy-tale creatures, Dough Disco for fine motor skills	Pretending to be different creatures, large ball games, mark-making activities, running/chasing games	Pencil control, name writing practice, digging and planting seeds with various tools	Practising writing names on postcards home, Nursery mini sports day, constructing tents and dens as a team
C&L	Listening to stories, playing in home corner, themed role-play areas related to familiar experiences, following instructions	Small-world space station, distinguishing sounds at day/night, learning Christmas songs	Acting stories as a class, puppet shows based on traditional tales, story recall, Three Little Pigs small world to act out story	Positional language games and songs, responding to instructions, talking about different creatures	Following instructions about planting seeds, talking about the changing of seasons	Asking questions about growing fruit & vegetables, small group talk activities, sharing Nursery experience, classroom role-play area
Literacy	Looking at picture books, mark-making pictures of family, exploring vocal, environmental and instrumental sounds	Drawing pictures of how we celebrate, making cards for different occasions, looking at books independently	Helicopter stories, retelling stories with props and puppets, making predictions, Phase 1 phonics	Story time about creatures, non-fiction stories, creating pictures of what we saw from the animal man visit	Initial sound games in small groups, water-based rhyming words, discussing and describing characters and setting	Initial sound games, create Nursery leaving book
Maths	Singing number songs, exploring capacity, shape puzzles, acting out every day routines, begin to explore 2D shapes	Number songs and rhymes, shape hunts, counting forward and back to 10, using positional language	1:1 counting fairytale creatures, representing numbers using marks, ordering objects by size, exploring 3D shapes	Finding the total number of groups of creatures, representing numbers in small groups, exploring repeating patterns	Finding total of groups of objects, counting out money in role play shop, counting actions such as jumps and claps	Sharing out picnic food, measuring ourselves and objects using different equipment
UTW	Exploring environment, Autumn leaves, talking about family times, home life and what they like doing at Nursery	Difference between day and night. Introduction of iPads, light boxes	Baking Gingerbread cookies, observing changes in state, observing/talking about objects in nature area	Watching animals grow, matching animal babies to their adult, making bird feeders and discuss what animals like to eat	Find out about different habitats on the computer. Exploring melting butter on toast, school planting project	Growing and tasting fruit and vegetables, explore diffusion in water and Skittles experiment, following instructions
EA&D	Singing Nursery rhymes, movement to music, creating self portraits, using scissors, glue and tape, collage	Firework pictures using paint or iPads, rocket junk modelling, designing holiday cards, role-play Nativity	Make Three Little Pigs house and talk about properties, making baskets, bridge building and testing strength	Explore animal noises, observational drawings of creatures from stories and Animal Man visit, make Mother's Day cards	Bubble painting, observational drawings of growing plants, playing instruments in time to music	Playing party games, sing nursery rhymes whilst playing instruments, whole class Elmer collage

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Reception Topics	Me, Myself and I	Our Local Community	Altogether Now	Explorers	Crazy about Creatures	Once Upon a Time
PSED	Circle time about rules of the classroom, responsibility, sharing/turn-taking activities, and having patience	Circle time about bedtime routines, developing confidence with Christmas performances, working on sharing/being a friend	Similarities and differences between us and between other countries, problem solving, self regulation	Discussions about how to look after ourselves and plants, team games, maintaining friendships, resilience	Looking after pets/ animals, team games, feelings and emotions, oral health and health, fitness and wellbeing	Transition to Year 1 activities, discussions about changes and feelings
PD	Encouraging independence with putting on coats, climbing and travelling safely, obstacle courses, feeding themselves	Selecting and putting away equipment independently, fine motor skills with cutting, junk modelling making emergency vehicles	Continuing to develop pencil control, obstacle courses	Running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing. Hold a pencil effectively using the tripod grip	Moving like different animals, learning an African dance, cutting out animal pictures, throwing and catching.	Reception Sports' Day, discuss ways to stay healthy through food and exercise
C&L	Role-play home corner, small worlds, circle time, discussions about feelings	Role-play police station/hospital, discussing changing seasons, listening skills with play, people who help us, our families	Role-play travel agents, beach, discussing family traditions, country themed small worlds One World Day	Role play- forest, camping, greenhouse, planting and caring for bean plants, instructions and commands	Role play jungle, guess the animal making the sound, telling stories with pictures, hatching chicks/butterflies-discussing changes	Role play- fairytales/castle/traditional tale setting focusing on rhyme, rhythm & alliteration, developing vocabulary
Literacy	Name frames, mark making using various materials, oral blending and segmenting games, rhyming activities	Name frames, letter formation. Fine motor skills, sharing stories, initial sounds	Multicultural texts, non fiction- places around the world, fine motor control, writing letters and simple words	Non fiction texts-growing plants and healthy lifestyles, fine motor control, writing letters and simple words	Animal passport, postcards from safari, non-fiction animal books	Making class information books, writing a traditional tale, writing simple sentences
Maths	Number songs, subitising up to 4, match quantities with number words, 1:1 counting, 2D shapes and repeating patterns	Counting total in 2 sets, one more/less, 2D shapes, comparing sets, 1:1 counting, comparing objects by length/weight	Composition of numbers of 5, subitising to 6, comparing sets of objects, one more and one less, 3D shapes	Number recognition, addition of two sets, part-whole relations, shape patterns, sharing objects into equal groups	Counting actions/sounds, doubling, halving, subitise numbers to 10, subtraction, number bonds, money, capacity	Problem solving, comparing groups of objects, number bonds to 10, combining shapes to make new shapes
UTW	Self portraits, paper plate faces, photographs of family, school identity, packing for a trip	Light and dark, discussing fireworks, day time getting shorter, learning about different celebrations	Melting and freezing investigations, winter, floating and sinking, Chinese new year, cultural objects, space	Animal mummies and babies, lifecycle of plants, signs of spring, mini beasts, planting and tending vegetables	Animal mummies and babies, lifecycle of butterflies, similarities and differences between animals	Different types of weather, summer learning about materials, globes and maps
EA&D	Self-portraits, paint mixing, collage and cutting skills, transport pictures, family pictures	Junk modelling transport, firework pictures, Diwali artwork, Christmas cards	African drumming, Bollywood dancing, Chinese lanterns/dragons, aboriginal art,	Leaf printing/rubbing, flower pictures, natural material collages, earth paintings	Making animal masks and footprints, making bugs from natural materials/plasticine, animal sounds	Making beach hats and sunglasses, pirate hats, collage large weather icons, summer songs

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Year 1 Topics	Me & My Town	Starry, Starry Night	London's Burning	A Toy Story	We do like to be beside the Seaside	Caribbean Carnival
History/ Geography	Investigating local area of Thamesmead and Woolwich	The beginning of space travel and the moon landing	Great Fire of London	Exploring toys from the past	Coastal regions of the UK, compare to cities/towns in UK, both past and present day	Study on St Lucia
Writing across the Curriculum	Persuasive poster on local area	Information page on the 'human computers' women	Science conclusion writing. Recount of events of Great Fire of London. Diary entry of someone during GFoL.	Description of whether you would play with toys in the past. Advert for toy designed in Design Technology.	Poster for fruit salad made in Design Technology.	Digital book created about different animals
Science	Exploring human body, including skeleton and senses	Properties of materials	Investigate best material for a mop (link to literacy unit and the secret of rain)	Flowers, plants and trees. Observational skills.	Growing vegetables/fruit from bulbs/seeds	Learning about different types of animals
PE	Gym - flight, large ball skills and games	Dance - using movement techniques to create a simple dance	Fitness circuits, ball skills	Dance - toys, throwing and catching, aiming games	Dance; Athletics - Sports Day practice	Gym - rocking and rolling, Athletics - Sports Day practise
Art/DT	Pencil self-portrait	Van Gogh's 'Starry Night', mixing light and dark	Pastel and collage techniques to create fire pictures	Design and create a moving picture toy	Design and make exotic fruit salad	Design a carnival float
Music	Rhythms and beats	Singing - seasonal song	Rounds - "London's Burning"	Recorder	Recorder	Caribbean music - singing "vegetables and fruit"
Computing	Photos (Image & Sound)	CodeSpark (Coding)	Online Safety (Internet)	Bee-Bots (Coding)	Scratch Jr (Coding)	Pages (Productivity)
Enrichment (trips/visits)	Walk around local area	National Gallery	Deptford Creek		Beach day in school	Carnival in school

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Year 2 Topics	Ocean Explorers	Stand Up for your Rights	Terrific Turner	Magical Mapping	Wonderful Woolwich	Zoo Days
History/ Geography	Francis Drake, local sea trade, map work	Discuss human rights, Martin Luther King & Rosa Parks, Suffragettes	Human/physical features of UK, capital cities and places of interest in UK	Town vs city	Local study on Woolwich	History of zoos
Writing across the Curriculum	Diary entry for Francis Drake, Science conclusion writing	Write and perform a persuasive speech	Information page on countries of the UK	Habitat information sheet, hybrid animal profile	Letter to a Woolwich factory worker, science conclusion	Fact file on countries of origin for zoo animals. Persuasive leaflet for animal adoption pack
Science	Investigating materials	Materials	Living things and their habitats	Habitats of specific animals, adaptation of animals at poles/equator	Features of plants, how they grow, plant investigation, 4 part conclusion	Life cycles of animals and humans, butterfly hatching
PE	Gymnastics, throwing and catching	Dance - stand up for your rights, group games, inventing rules, ball skills	Fitness, ball skills	Dance, ball skills	Athletics	Bench ball, team building
Art/DT	Design and build a boat to carry a piece of fruit	Propaganda posters through history, creating using a stamp	Creating artwork in the style of Turner - watercolour	Creating sculptures in the style of Andy Goldsworthy	Design and create a healthy salad	Create a puppet for an 'adoption pack' for an endangered animal
Music	Bolero	Singing	Recorders	Recorders	Singing	Recorders
Computing	Online Safety (Internet)	CodeSpark (Coding)	CodeSpark (Coding)	Scratch Jr (Coding)	Pages (Productivity)	Stop Motion (Image & Sound)
Enrichment (trips/visits)					Local walk to Woolwich	

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Year 3 Topics	The Stone Age	The USA	Down at the Docks	Land Use	Ancient Egypt	Earthquakes and Volcanoes
History/ Geography	Prehistoric age, looking at culture, technology and archaeology	Location of USA, compare geography of London to New York	Victorian docklands, changes over time	Looking at settlements, what makes a good settlement, land use in UK	Geography of the Nile, using a range of sources to learn about life in Egyptian times	Creating timelines, plate tectonics, volcanoes, continents and oceans
Writing across the Curriculum	Letter writing	Obamas - information, letter writing	Diary of a day in the life of a dock worker	Recount of trip	Horrible Histories style episode script	Creating a fact-file about Mary Anning
Science	Light	Magnets	Plants	Animals and humans	Rocks and soils	Rocks and soils
PE	Cricket	Hockey	Aerobics, athletics	Dance - dino dancing, team building/fitness training	Gym - stretching, curling and arching, basketball	Gym - pathways, tennis
Art/DT	Cave Paintings	Cooking bread	Creating art in the style of Lowry.	Still life painting	Creating Egyptian jewellery	Moving monsters
Music	Film music - Jurassic Park	Singing	Recorders	Recorders	Recorders	Food, Glorious Food - Oliver
Computing	Keynote (Productivity)	GarageBand (Image & Sound)	LEGO WeDo (Coding)	Tynker (Coding)	Bloxels (Coding)	Online Safety (Internet)
French	Greetings, counting	Classroom nouns and colours	Body parts, days of the week, weather	Family members, spelling vocabulary	Animals and pets, telling the time	Asking for food, asking opinions
Enrichment (trips/visits)			Museum of London	Local walk		Natural History Museum

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Year 4 Topics	Elegant Edwardians	Outrageous Outdoors	Lights, Camera, Action!	Ratatouille!	Rotten Romans	Amazing Amazon
History/ Geography	Children then and now, World War I and the Edwardians	Reading maps using grid references, symbols, compass. Local fieldwork, key geographical knowledge of UK	Silent movies and the changes in cinema over time	Comparing human and physical geography of London and Provence	Roman period and invasion of Britain, including looking at Bouicca	Locating Amazon on globe, patterns of settlement, deforestation, layers of the rainforest
Writing across the Curriculum	Letter from WWI child to male relative in Flanders	Script for tourism video	Writing a biography	Persuasive advert	Letters to Nero	Fact Files on animals
Science	Electricity and simple circuits	Experiments to explore changes in states of matter	Observing changes in state. The water cycle	Sound, looking at vibrations, pitch, volume and sound creators	Animals, including humans, part one: teeth and digestion	Animals, including humans, part two: food chains and habitats
PE	Gym - balance, basketball	Aerobics - fitness, tag rugby	Dance, football	Dance, netball	Benchball, athletics	Gym - rolling, rounders
Art/DT	Sculpture	Design a weatherproof shelter	Looking at film posters over time and then creating their own	Creating 'cut outs' vegetable drawings in the style of Matisse	A book with moving parts related to the Romans	An electrical alarm system to protect rainforest animals from poachers
Music	Recorders	Christmas performance	Recorders	L'Apres Midi dun Faune - Debussy	Recorders	Recorders
Computing	Numbers (Productivity)	Tynker (Coding)	iMovie (Image & Sound)	Bloxesl (Coding)	LEGO WeDo (Coding)	Online Safety (Internet)
French	Greetings, phrases from Y3, school	Local area, directions, shopping	Epiphany, French family names, describe face	Body in French, carnival, colours	Jungle animals, feeling unwell	Weather, summertime, ice cream
Enrichment (trips/visits)	Science Museum	Woodlands Farm, Xmas bonfire	Church visit	Borough Market	British Museum	Woods

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Year 5 Topics	Enough for Everyone	Majestic Mayans	Brilliant Biomes	The Anglo Saxons	Raging Rivers	Ancient Greeks
History/ Geography	Renewable and non-renewable resources, climate change and food shortages	Classical period of the Mayan civilisation. Importance of trade to Mayan success. Secondary sources to explore different ways the past can be interpreted	Biomes around the world, time zones, longitude/latitude, meridian line	Timeline of events up to Edward the Confessor (1042AD)	Rivers/water cycle, settlement and land use	Trade in Ancient Greece, discussing primary sources, democracy, battles/wars, daily life, pinch/coil clay pots
Writing across the Curriculum	Biographies of Katherine Johnson, English text 'Cosmic'	Explanation text on the journey of a cocoa bean English text - The Last Wild	Biomes information posters, English text - Floodland	Balanced argument: how dark were the dark ages? English Text - The Middler	Report based on local study, non-chronological report on rivers English text - I talk to the river	Diary entry in role, letter writing in role English text - The adventures of Odysseus
Science	Relative sizes and orbits of planets, seasons, day/night	Forces - gravity, friction, air resistance	Lifecycle of plants, insects, birds, mammals and amphibians	Forces - pulleys and gears, tomato challenge	Testing materials for properties	Heating and cooling, making and separating solutions
PE	Circuit training, football	Dance, netball	Gymnastics, hockey	Bench ball, rounders	Gymnastics, cricket	Volleyball, athletics
Art/DT	British textile artist Louise Baldwin and Karen Rose	Vegan celebratory meal for Pok a Tok players	Watercolours to paint biomes inspired by Georgia O'Keefe	Anglo Saxon illuminated letters	Design and make a model bridge using paper, card and straws	Research and design energy bar
Music	Mars - Holst	Singing	Recorders	Last Night of the Proms	Songs and rounds	Recorders
Computing	Podcasting (Image & Sound)	Swift Playgrounds (Coding)	Online Safety (Internet)	LEGO WeDO (Coding)	Numbers (Productivity)	Tynker (Coding)
French	My school	Time in the city	Healthy eating	Clothes, colours and fashion	Out of this world	Going to the seaside
Enrichment (trips/visits)	Visit to Royal Observatory and Planetarium	Visit to Science Museum Forces Show	Chicks in classroom		Visit to Creek Side Discovery Centre	Ancient Olympics day

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Year 6 Topics	Crime and Punishment	World War Two	Life on the Edge	Vikings	Our Changing World	Trade and Economics
History/ Geography	Crime and punishment over time, torture devices through the ages	How WWII began, major countries and key figures involved, film and poster propaganda	Location and formation of mountain ranges, research into a famous explorer	Exploring how violent the vikings were, where they raided and settled, significant events, and Viking life including Religion and life for women	Exploring the ways that the world around us is changing from a human and physical geographical perspective	Exploring global supply chains, Uk's trade links, fair trade, imports and exports
Writing across the Curriculum	Ride the wind	Goodnight Mr Tom	Shackleton's journey	The Vikings: Raiders and Traders and suspense stories	Wonder	Varmints
Science	Evolution and inheritance	Circulation, how nutrients travel around body	Classification	Light	Electricity, creating circuits, scientific symbols, investigations	Electricity, creating circuits, scientific symbols, investigations
PE	Netball, gymnastics	Football and circuit training indoors	Tag rugby, gymnastics	Team building, dance	Rounders, bench ball	Cricket, volleyball
Art/DT	Making polystyrene prints in the style of Elizabeth Catlett	Design and make a bag for refugees			Design and build a prototype for a renewable energy device	Photography inspired by Rinko Kawauchi
Music	George Gershwin	Singing	Djembe drums	Keyboards	Performance	Performance
Computing	Keynote (Presentations)	Online Safety	iMovie (Image & Sound)		Swift Playgrounds (Coding)	LEGO WeDo (Coding)
French	My everyday life	Performance	Where I live	Playing sport	This is me - hobbies and fun	Cafe cultured
Enrichment (trips/visits)	School/Home Journey	WW11 day	The Reach		Danson Park	