

Lower Key Stage 2

The Gates Primary School Curriculum Overview 2026/27

Term:	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Geography/ History	<u>History</u> Wartime Westhoughton	<u>Geography</u> What can I see from my window? A Local Geography Study.	<u>History</u> Ancient Egyptians		<u>Geography</u> The Rainforest	
Geography / History	Social - How did World War II change the town of Westhoughton?	Cultural – How do different cultures in our town make it a better place to live?	Social – How did the hierarchy affect everyday life?	Spiritual – Depending on status, where would Egyptians be buried?	Social – How do rainforests help us to live?	Moral - Should we ever cut a rainforest down?
Art/DT	Collage To create an image from the war depicting the different roles.	Textiles	3D Sculpture To create an Egyptian sarcophagus	Mechanisms	Food	Painting To create a rainforest painting
Science	Y3: Biology – Skeletons & Movement Biology – Nutrition & Diet Sustainability – Food waste Chemistry – Rocks Y4: Biology – Grouping and Classifying Living Things Biology – Data collection A Chemistry – States of Matter		Y3: Chemistry – Fossils & Soils Physics - Light Y4: Biology - Digestive System Biology – Food Chains		Y3: Biology – Plants A Y4: Biology – Plants A (Y3)	Y3: Physics – Forces Physics – Magnets Biology – Plants B Sustainability - Biodiversity Y4: Physics – Forces (Y3) Physics – Magnets (Y3) Biology – Plants B (Y3) Sustainability – Biodiversity (Y3)
RE	What do Christians learn from the Creation story?	What is it like for someone to follow God?	How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?	How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?	What kind of a world did Jesus want?	How and why do people try to make the world a better place?
Computing	Digital Citizenship Online safety, PSHE	Digital Literacy Hands on skills	Computer Science Sequence, repeats and loops		Information Technology Online Communication Computer Networks	Project
Music / French	Chair Drumming – Musical Futures	Classroom commands (Les instructions)	Chair Drumming – Musical Futures	Phonics lesson 1 ch ou on oi	Connect It by Anna Meredith	Phonics lesson 2 I Am Able To - Verbs

	Notation lessons World War 2 Songs	Greetings (Salutations) Colours (Les couleurs)	Notation lessons	I'm Learning French – maps, greetings, counting 1-10, ten colours	(Body percussion- BBC Ten Pieces)	
PE	Gymnastics ABC	Send and Receive Tactics and Strategies	Dance Send and Receive	Attack and Defend Gymnastics	Basketball Orienteering	Athletics Striking and Fielding
PSHE	Y3: Relationships, Respect and Belonging Y4: Respect, Relationships and Diversity		Y3: Safety, Responsibility and Citizenship Y4: Safety and Responsibility		Y3: Rights, Health and Wellbeing Y4: Healthy Choices and Personal Growth	
Big Question	The Gates Golden Goals	How is Diwali celebrated?	Why do we set New Year's resolutions?	How can we build and maintain positive friendships?	What is Autism?	What might happen to our environment if we don't do our part to protect it?
	What is SMSC?	Why is it important to celebrate Remembrance day?	Why is it important to follow railway safety rules at all times?	Why is Chinese New Year important to people around the world?	How can we lead greener lives?	Why is it important that we look after the world's oceans?
	Why are the British Values important?	Why do we need different rules for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers?	How do we show Inclusion at The Gates?	Why is it important to celebrate the achievements of women?	Why is it important to know water safety rules and what to do in an emergency?	Why is it important to protect our skin and bodies from the sun?
	What is ADHD?	What is the role of Parliament?	How can Ramadan teach us to be more thankful and to help others?	Why is it important to learn different ways to communicate with others?	Why is VE Day a significant event in British History?	How have the Stonewall riots inspired LGBT+ Pride Month?
	What is a hate crime and why is it important to challenge prejudice?	Can we change the world by treating everyone with respect?	How can I look after my mental health?	Why is theatre important for creativity, communication and culture?	How can we encourage inclusion of all families?	What can we do if we see bullying or unkind behaviour?
	Why is it important to look after our mental health?	What is a hidden impairment?	How can feeling loved and cared for help our mental health?		How can we encourage our school community to walk to school, throughout the year?	How do the emergency services work together to keep our communities safe?
	What contributions should be celebrated in Black History Month?	Why was Jesus' birth so important to Christians?			How can we make safe choices and help keep ourselves and others safe?	How can I continue to develop The Gates Golden Goals next year?
The Gates Great Expectations	Write and perform a poem Compose a piece of music Learn a new game Cook a dish for someone special Eat something you haven't tried before Visit the library		To visit a museum Build a raft and explore the outdoors Write and perform a poem Travel on water Choreograph a dance Compose a piece of music Learn a new game Visit the woods and make a shelter		To visit a local nature reserve Make something to sell Learn how to sew Make a sculpture Write and perform a poem Compose a piece of music Learn a new game	
Enrichment	World War II Workshop Cultural Week Cheetham Music School Zoom session		Egyptian Workshop – Bolton Museum Anderton Centre		Hall Lee Bank Park Cheetham Music School Zoom session	

