Key Stage 1
The Gates Primary School Curriculum Overview 2026-27

Term:	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Geography/ History	History The Great Fire of London	History Pretoria Pit disaster	Geography Australia Contrasting non-European country	Geography Westhoughton: My Locality A Local Geography Study:	History The Victorians	Geography How has the UK changed since the Victorian era?
Geography /History	Moral - Was it right for King Charles to tell people to knock down houses or blow them up?	Cultural – What impact did the Pretoria Pit Disaster have on the community of Westhoughton?	Social – Does Australia need tourists?	Spiritual – How does the community of Westhoughton cater for all beliefs?	Moral – Did the Victorians treat people in a fair and equal way?	Cultural – How have the Victorians impacted our lives today?
Art/DT	Collage To create an insect collage in the style of Eric Carle	Mechanisms	Drawing and Painting To create an aboriginal painting	Food	Textiles	3d Sculpture To create a 3d flower
Science	Y1: Biology - The Human Body Y1 - Seasonal Changes Y2: Biology – Animals' needs for survival Y2: Biology - Humans	Y1: Chemistry – Materials Y1 – Seasonal Changes Y2: Chemistry – Materials Y2: Sustainability	Y1: Biology – Planting A Y1: Biology – Animals Y2: Biology – Plants (light and dark)	Y1: Sustainability – Caring for the planet Y1: Biology – Seasonal Changes Y1: Biology – Planting B Y2: Biology – Living things and their habitats Y2: Biology Plants (light and dark)	Y1: Biology – Plants Y1: Biology – Planting C Y2: Biology – Plants (bulbs and seeds) Y2: Biology – Growing up	Y1: Sustainability – Growing and cooking Y1: Biology – Seasonal Changes Y2: Biology – Bulbs and seeds Y2: Biology – Growing up Y2: Sustainability - Wildlife
Commando Joes		Resilience		Empathy		Self-Awareness
RE	Who do Christians say made the world?	What do Christians believe God is like?	Who is Jewish and how do they live?		What does it mean to belong to a faith community?	How should we care for the world and others, and why does it matter?
Computing	Digital Citizenship	Digital Literacy	Computer Science – Algorithms, events, program		Information Technology – Internet Resources Effective Searching	Application of skills project
Music	Hey You! (Charanga)	Rhythm in the way we walk and the banana rap (Charanga)	In The Groove (Charanga)	Bringing Us Together (Charanga)	The Victorians - How has music changed?	Music Food Fest (chants/songs about diet and cooking)
PE	ABC (Outdoor)	Awareness (Outdoor)	Dance (Indoor)	Attack and defend (Outdoor)	Competitive	Athletics

	Gymnastics (Indoor)	Send and receive (Indoor)	Send and receive (Outdoor)	Gymnastics (Indoor)	Orienteering	Striking and fielding
PSHE	Y1: Friends, Feelings and Kindness Y2: Relationships and Belonging		Y1: Staying Safe and Making Good Choices Y2: – Staying Safe and Healthy		Y1: Rules, Responsibility and Safety Y2: Caring for Myself and Others	
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?
Enrichment	Cultural Week Cheetham Music School Zoom session RE visitor Christmas Play		Bolton SICT visit RE visitor		The Victorians workshop Cheetham Music School Zoom session	
The Gates Great Expectations	To learn about another country. To develop speaking and listening through our Christmas Play performance. To create a piece of work in the style of Eric Carle. To understand the history of important of both local and UK events.		To develop our computing skills, with a focus on algorithms. To make our own food. To understand how different religions live. To create a painting. To learn about Westhoughton's history.		To learn about who The Victorians were and the history behind them. To discover the history of music. To understand how the Victorians have influenced the way we live today. To create a 3D sculpture.	