St. Alban's Catholic Primary School
Curriculum Overview for Year 3

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ENGLISH

Reading
- Use knowledge to read 'exception' words
- Read range of fiction & non-fiction
- Use dictionaries to check meaning
- Prepare poems & plays to perform
- Check own understanding of reading
- Draw inferences & make predictions
- Retrieve & record information from non-fiction books
- Discuss reading with others

Writing
- Use prefixes & suffixes in spelling
- Use dictionary to confirm spellings
- Write simple dictated sentences
- Use handwriting joins appropriately
- Plan to write based on familiar forms
- Rehearse sentences orally for writing
- Use varied rich vocabulary
- Create simple settings & plot
- Assess effectiveness of own & others' writing

Grammar
- Use range of conjunctions
- Use perfect tense
- Use range of nouns & pronouns
- Use time connectives
- Introduce speech punctuation
- Know language of clauses

Speaking & Listening
- Give structured descriptions
- Participate activity in conversation
- Consider & evaluate different viewpoints

HISTORY

British History (taught chronologically)
- Stone Age to Iron Age Britain, including:
- Hunter-gatherers & early farmers
- Bronze age religion, technology & travel
- Iron age hill forts

Broader History Study
- A local history study, example:
- A depth study linked to a studied period
- A study over a period of time
- A post-1066 study of relevant local history
- Ancient Greeks
- Railways

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Continue to follow locally-agreed syllabus for RE

GEOGRAPHY (LKS2)

- Locate world's countries, focusing on Europe & Americas, focus on key physical & human features
- Study a region of the UK (not local area)
- Volcanoes
- North America
- Northern Ireland – ties in with Science (rocks) & volcanoes

MATHEMATICS

Number & Calculation
- Learn 3, 4 & 8x tables
- Secure place value to 100
- Mentally add & subtract units tens or hundreds to numbers of up to 3-digits
- Written column addition & subtraction
- Solve number problems, including multiplication & simple division & missing number problems
- Use commutativity to help calculations

Geometry & Measures
- Measure & calculate with metric measures
- Measure simple perimeter
- Add/subtract using money in context
- Use Roman numerals up to XII; tell time
- Calculate using simple time problems
- Draw 2D, make 3D shapes
- Identify & use right angles
- Identify horizontal, vertical, perpendicular & parallel lines

Fractions & Decimals
- Use & count in tenths
- Recognise, find & write fractions
- Recognise some equivalent fractions
- Add/subtract fractions up to <1
- Order fractions with common denominator

Data
- Interpret bar charts & pictograms

MODERN LANGUAGES (LKS2)

- Listen & engage
- Ask & answer questions
- Speak in sentences using familiar vocabulary
- Develop appropriate pronunciation
- Show understanding of words & phrases
- Appreciate stories, songs, poems & rhymes
- Broaden vocabulary
- French

MUSIC (LKS2)

- Use voice & instruments with increasing accuracy, control & expression
- Improvise & compose music
- Listen with attention to detail
- Appreciate wide range of live & recorded music

SCIENCE

Biology
- Plants (including parts, lifecycle & requirements for life)
- Animals (skeletons & nutrition)

Chemistry
- Classification of rock types
- Simple understanding of fossilisation

Physics
- Sources of light; shadows & reflections
- Simple forces, including magnetism

COMPUTING (LKS2)

- Design & write programs to achieve specific goals, including solving problems
- Use logical reasoning
- Understand computer networks
- Use internet safely & appropriately
- Collect & present data appropriately

ART & DESIGN (LKS2)

- Use sketchbooks to collect, record & evaluate ideas
- Improve mastery of techniques such as drawing, painting & sculpture with varied materials
- Learn about great artists, architects & designers

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY (LKS2)

- Use research & criteria to develop products which are fit for purpose
- Use annotated sketches & prototypes to explain ideas
- Evaluate existing products & improve own work
- Understand seasonality; prepare & cook mainly savoury dishes

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (LKS2)

- Use running, jumping, catching & throwing, catching in isolation & in combination
- Play competitive games, modified as appropriate
- Develop flexibility & control in gym, dance & athletics
- Compare performances to achieve personal bests
- Swimming proficiency at 25 m (KS1 or KS2)