

## St Clare's

Catholic Primary School

## Let Our Light Shine

## Year 4

## Termly Curriculum Overview

	Autumn Term 2 2023 - 2024
Religious Education	Sikhism Children will learn about the foundation of the Sikh religion. They will identify the first 5 Gurus and write about their lives and what they brought to the religion. Children will be taught that the Holy book of the Sikhs, the Guru Granth Sahib, is written in a script that is called Gurmukhi but it is in the language of Punjabi. <u>Gift</u> Children will learn that Advent is a time when we appreciate the love in our lives and prepare to celebrate love becoming a reality in the person of Jesus. Christians at Christmas celebrate the gift of Jesus, given by God as a sign and expression of God's love. Giving and receiving reflects the truth that all life is given by God and life is given meaning through the gift of Jesus.
Maths	Basic SkillsMultiplication and division facts for up to 12 x 12.Counting in multiples of 6, 7, 25 and 1000.Find 100 more or less than a given number.Count backwards through zero to include negative numbers.Round any 4 digit number to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000Multiplication and division• Identify and explore patterns in multiplication tables including 7 and 9• Distributive property including multiplying three 1-digit numbers• Mental multiplication and division strategies using place value and known and derived facts• Short multiplicationDiscrete and continuous data• Read, interpret and construct pictograms, bar charts and time graphs• Compare tables, pictograms and bar charts
English Reading	Children will be using the book 'The Great Kapok Tree' written by Lynne Cherry. It tells the story of how a woodcutter enters the rainforest, ready to cut it down. He falls asleep and is visited by all the animals of the forest who speak to him about the problems of deforestation. Children will also take part in guided reading sessions to develop inference and deduction skills.
English Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling	GrammarUse of prepositional phrases to expand sentences.Use of Standard EnglishUse of expanded noun phrases for description.PunctuationUse of commas after fronted adverbials.Apostrophes of possession in plural nounsSpellingAdding the suffix -lyAdding the prefix -interHomophones

	Words from the statutory spelling list for Year and 4.
English Writing	Children will have the opportunity to write, setting poetry and persuasive letters – using 'The Great Kapok Tree' as inspiration. There are also short writing opportunities within other areas of the curriculum Geography – Comparing similarities and differences between in a city in North America, to one in South America Science – Information text about an animal and the habitat it lives in. RE – Recounts of the life of the 5 Gurus .
Science	ElectricityKnowledgeChildren learn to identify common appliances that run on electricity and how to stay safewhen using electricity. They will learn to identify whether or not a lamp will light in asimple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with abattery. Children will be taught to recognise that a switch opens and closes the circuitand associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit.Working scientificallyConstruct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts,including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.Investigate which materials are electrical conductors and electrical insulators
Geography	North America and South America Children will learn to identify the latitude and longitude of the continents of North and South America and the countries that make up those continents. Children will also study the human and physical features of both continents and the different climate zones that they are within
Physical Education	DanceChildren focus on creating characters and narrative through movement and gesture.They gain inspiration from a range of stimuli, working individually, in pairs and smallgroups. In dance, children think about how to use movement to explore andcommunicate ideas and issues, and their own feelings and thoughts. Children willdevelop confidence in performing and will be given the opportunity to provide feedbackand utilise feedback to improve their own work.BasketballChildren will be encouraged to persevere when developing competencies in key skillsand principles such as defending, attacking, throwing, catching and dribbling. They willlearn to use attacking skills to maintain possession of the ball. They will start by playinguneven and then move onto even sided games. Children will understand the importanceof playing fairly and to the rules. They will be encouraged to think about how to useskills, strategies and tactics to outwit the opposition as well as learn how to evaluatetheir own and others' performances.
Computing	<u>Coding</u> During this unit children will explore different object types in 2Code and how to use a background and objects to create a scene. They will also be taught how to plan an algorithm for their scene and use 2Code to program it. Children will be taught how to use IF/ELSE variables in their programming and describe the effect.
DT	Structures Children will design a photograph frame for a specific person, they will learn how structures can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable. They will also be taught how to saw wood and apply braces to make their frame more stable. Children will also be given the opportunity to evaluate their design
French	La date In this unit the children will learn how to: • Repeat and recognise the months of the year in French. • Ask when somebody has a birthday and say when they have their birthday. • Say the date in French.

PHSE	<u>Making Choices</u> Children will be taught that there are drugs (other than medicines) that are common in everyday life, and why people choose to use them. They will learn about the effects and risks of drinking alcohol and smoking tobacco and the importance of taking only the prescribed amount of medication.
Curriculum Enrichment	Ukulele tuition – throughout the year, children will be taught how to play the ukulele and read musical notation.