DALESTORTH PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

YEAR 3 and 4 Curriculum Map – CYCLE A (2026-27)

	AUTUMN – DISCOVER (HISTORY FOCUS)	SPRING – EXPLORE (GEOGRAPHY FOCUS)	SUMMER – CREATE (ARTS FOCUS)
TOPIC QUESTION	**How did life in Britain change from the Stone Age to the Roman invasions?**	**Which European country would you choose to live in?**	**What was so special about Shakespeare?**
Hook Book	Stone Age Boy	Escape from Pompeii	Midsummer Night's Dream
Written outcome	Comparison of both historical periods.	A balanced discussion about where they would rather live and why.	Non-chronological report/biography of William Shakespeare.
English	<u>Key Texts:</u> Stone Age Boy- Satoshi Kitamora The First Drawing – Mordicai Gerstein Kathleen Fidler – The Boy With The Bronze Axe DK Eyewitness Ancient Rome Meet the ancient Romans – James Davies Tom Fletcher - The Christmasaurus, The dinosaur who pooped Christmas	<u>Key Texts:</u> Escape from Pompeii – Christina Balit A world of cities – James Brown and Lily Murray Where on Earth Europe – Shallini Vallepur Journey – Aaron Becker A year full of stories- 52 folk tales and legends from around the world (focus on European stories Roald Dahl – Revolting Rhymes, Boy, The Witches	<u>Key Texts: Shakespeare</u> Shakespeare stories (child friendly versions) – focus on A Midsummer Night's Dream Explore Shakespeare A Stage Full of Shakespeare Stories – Angela McAllister Poetry for Kids- William Shakespeare Louie Stowell – The Dragon in the Library The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe – C S Lewis
	<u>Whole Class Reading</u> • Stone Age Boy (fiction) • The first drawing (fiction) • October's Party (poetry) • Meet the ancient Romans (non-fiction) • How to wash your elephant (non-fiction) • Author study (Tom Fletcher) The Dinosaur who pooped Christmas (narrative poetry)	<u>Whole Class Reading</u> • A world of cities & Where on Earth – Europe (non-fiction) • Escape from Pompeii (factual fiction) • A year full of stories: European folk tales (fiction) • Journey (fiction) • Dictionary Skills (non-fiction) • Author study (Roald Dahl) Revolting Rhymes (narrative poetry)	<u>Whole Class Reading</u> • A Midsummer Night's Dream (fiction) • Explore Shakespeare (non-fiction) • The Firework Maker's Daughter (fiction) • Poetry for Kids: William Shakespeare (poetry)f
	<u>Writing Genres Covered:</u> Recounts Mystery and adventure stories Chronological reports Instructions Poetry	<u>Writing Genres Covered:</u> Leaflets Information Texts Stories with historical settings Stories with familiar settings	<u>Writing Genres Covered:</u> Play-scripts Non-chronological reports Stories set in an imaginary world Poems to perform
Maths	<u>Pankhurst</u> Number – place value Number – addition and subtraction Number – multiplication and division	<u>Pankhurst</u> Number – multiplication and division Length and perimeter Fractions	<u>Pankhurst</u> Fractions Money Time

		Mass and capacity	Shape Statistics
	<u>King</u> Number – place value Number – addition and subtraction Number – multiplication and division	<u>King</u> Number – multiplication and division Length and perimeter Fractions Mass and capacity Fractions	<u>King</u> Time Decimals Money Shape Position and direction Statistics
	<u>Frank</u> Number – place value Number – addition and subtraction Area Number – multiplication and division	<u>Frank</u> Number – multiplication and division Length and perimeter Fractions Decimals	<u>Frank</u> Decimals Money Time Shape Statistics Position and direction
History	The Stone Age The Romans		
Geography		Map reading Europe	
Science	Light & Dark Sound	Electricity	States of Matter
Art	Artistic styles		Art techniques Digital art
Music	Creating compositions in response to animations Ukulele	Ukulele Spring Concert	Jazz Ukulele Composer study
Computing	Email Effective Searching Touch typing	Coding Route planners	Introduction to AI Sound stories
Online safety	Self-Image and Identity Health, Wellbeing and lifestyle Online reputation Online relationships	Online Bullying Managing Online Information	Privacy & Security Copyright & Ownership
DT	Shell structures	Food - Healthy and varied diet	Mechanisms (Levers and linkages), Electrical systems (programming and control)
PE	Swimming – Year 4 swim all year		
Pankhurst	OAA – Online scheme/ OAA Unit 3/4 Gymnastics Unit 3 Ball skills 3/4 Fundamentals Unit 3	Tag Rugby Unit 3/4 Dance Unit 3 Basketball Unit ¾ Dodgeball Unit ¾ (taught to year 3 only)	Rounders Unit 3/4 Athletics Unit 3 Tennis Unit 3 Handball ¾

King	OAA – Online scheme/ OAA Unit 3/4 – all to do Gymnastics Unit 3– all to do Swimming (Year 4 only) Ball skills ¾ (year 3 children only) Fundamentals Unit 3 (Year 3 children only)	Tag Rugby Year 3/4 – all to do Dance Unit 3 – all to do Swimming (Year 4 only) Basketball Year 3/4 (year 3 only) Dodgeball Unit ¾ (taught to year 3 only)	Tennis Unit 3 – all to do Athletics Unit 3 – all to do Swimming (Year 4 Only) Rounders Unit ¾ (year 3 only) Handball ¾ - Year 3 only
Frank	OAA – Online scheme/ OAA Unit 3/4 Swimming Gymnastics Unit 3	Swimming Dance Unit 3 Tag Rugby Unit ¾	Athletics Unit 3 Tennis Unit 3 Swimming
RE	Beliefs and questions	Religion, family, and community: Prayer Worship and sacred places	Inspirational people from the past
PSHE/SMSC	Connecting with others: What helps us feel safe and included? The online world: How should we communicate online?	Citizenship: What careers do people choose and why? Staying safe: What signs help me recognise safe or unsafe?	My healthy self: How can I take care of my mind and body? Citizenship: What rights and responsibilities do we have? AREP Year 4 Programme
MFL	Greetings Numbers	Dates The Alphabet and Colours	My family The Very Hungry Catarpillar

DALESTORTH PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL
YEAR 3 and 4 Curriculum Map – CYCLE B (2027-28)

	AUTUMN – DISCOVER (HISTORY FOCUS)	SPRING – EXPLORE (GEOGRAPHY FOCUS)	SUMMER – CREATE (ARTS FOCUS)
TOPIC QUESTION	**Would you rather be an ancient Egyptian or an ancient Greek?**	**Where would you like to explore?**	**What kind of artist are you?**
Hook Book	So you think you've got it bad: A kid's life in ancient Egypt/Greece	The Abominables (mountain theme) and Journey to the River Sea	13 artists children should know
Written Outcome	Comparison of both periods.	Leaflet	Presentation
English	Key Texts: So you think you've got it bad: A kid's life in ancient Egypt and Greece– Chae Strathie and Marissa Morea (non-fiction) Marcy and the riddle of the sphinx – Joe Todd Stanton (graphic novel style picture book) (Miu and the Pharaoh – Sally Wallace-Jones (fiction) Greek Myths : meet the heroes, gods and monsters of ancient Greece- Jean Menzies Leo and the Gorgon's curse – Joe Todd Stanton (fiction) The Street Beneath my feet – Charlotte Guillian and Yuvul Zommer (non-fiction) Bill's new frock and Ican the terrible (Anne Fine) The pebble in my pocket – a history of our earth - Meredith Hooper (non-fiction) A rock is lively – Diana Huts Aston and Sylvia Long	Key Texts: The Abominables – Eva Ibbotson (fiction) River stories – Timothy Knapman (non-fiction) River story – Meredith Hooper and Bee Willey (Non-fiction & poetry) Highest Mountain, Deepest Ocean – Kate Baker (non-fiction) Wangari's Trees of Peace: A true story from Africa – Jeanette Winter The Vanishing Rainforest – Richard Platt (fiction) The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry Manfish – the story of Jacques Cousteau (poetic fiction) The Tin Forest – Helen Ward The last polar bears – Harry Horse (story through letters) The battle of Bubble and Squeak – Philippa Pearce Assorted Dick King-Smith Animal architects – Julio Antonio Blasco Habitats – Anna Claybourne (non-fiction)	Key Texts: 13 artists children should know – Anglea Wenzl Paint me a poem – Grace Nicholls Frida Kahlo and her animalitos – Monica Brown Hari and his electric feet – Alexander McCall Smith Leon and the place between Hans Christian Anderson Thumbelina – Free on Get Epic The Emperor's new clothes Assorted Michael Rosen (lots of videos of him sharing his own poetry available online) Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo Fangs, Ellie and the cat and Whizziwig – Malorie Blackman Illumanatomy – Kate Davies
	Whole Class Reading • So you think you've got it bad texts (non-fiction) • Greek myths • Leo and the Gorgon's curse • The street beneath my feet (non-fic) • Author Study – Ivan the terrible	Whole Class Reading • River stories (non-fiction & poetry) • Highest mountain, deepest ocean (non-fiction) • Manfish (fictional poetry) • The last polar bears (fictional letters) • The Tin Forest (fiction) • Author Study (Dick King-Smith) – The Hodgeheg & The Queen's Nose	Whole Class Reading • 13 artists children should know (non-fiction) • Leon and the place between & The train to impossible places – PG Wells (fiction) • The Emperor's New Clothes (fiction) • Author study (Michael Rosen) - language play • Author Study (Malorie Blackman) – Ellie and the cat

	Writing Genres Covered: Recounts visit Information Explanations Myths Adventure/mystery Stories	Writing Genres Covered: Stories from other cultures Dilemma stories Letters Persuasive texts	Writing Genres Covered: Stories with familiar settings Newspapers Poetry Writing from different viewpoints
Maths	Pankhurst Number – place value Number – addition and subtraction Number – multiplication and division	Pankhurst Number – multiplication and division Length and perimeter Fractions Mass and capacity	Pankhurst Fractions Money Time Shape Statistics
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History	Ancient Egypt Ancient Greece		
Geography		Rivers Mountains	
Science	Rocks & Soils Forces & Magnets	Plants Living Things & Habitats	Skeleton & Muscles Digestive System
Art	Historical art		Artist studies
Music	Haiku Ukulele	Ukulele Spring concert	Samba and Carnival sounds and instruments Ukulele
Computing	Word processing Presenting Ideas	Logo Microbits	Composing beats Animations
Online safety	Self-Image and Identity Health, Wellbeing and lifestyle Online reputation Online relationships	Online Bullying Managing Online Information	Privacy & Security Copyright & Ownership
DT		Textiles: 2d shape to 3d product	Electrical systems – circuits and switches:

PE	Swimming – Year 4 swim all year		
Pankhurst	OAA – Online scheme Gym Unit 4 Netball Unit 3/4 Cricket Unit 3/4	Tennis Unit 4 Fitness Unit ¾ Dance Unit 4 (8 lessons) Yoga – unit 3	Athletics Unit 4 Football ¾ Hockey ¾ Golf – unit 3
King	Gym Unit 4 – all to do Netball Unit 3/4 - all to do Swimming (year 4 only) Cricket Unit ¾ - year 3 only OAA – Online scheme – year 3 only	Tennis Unit 4 – all to do Dance Unit 4 (8 lessons) – all to do Swimming (year 4 only) Fitness Unit ¾ - year 3 only Yoga – unit 3 – year 3 only	Athletics Unit 4 – all to do Football ¾ - all to do Swimming (year 4 only) Hockey ¾ - year 3 only Golf – unit 3 – year 3 only
Frank	Netball Unit 3/4 Gym Unit 4 Swimming	Tennis Unit 4 Dance Unit 4 Swimming	Athletics Unit 4 Football ¾ Swimming
RE	4.1 The journey of life and death	4.2 Symbols and religious expression	4.3 Spiritual expression 4.4 Religion, family, community, worship, celebration, ways of living
PSHE/SMSC	Connecting with others: How can we respect each other? The online world: How can we decide what to trust online?	Health protection: How can we prevent illness and injury and respond if they happen? My healthy self: How can I make healthy choices?	Citizenship: How can I spend money wisely? Growing up: How will my body and emotions change as I grow up? AREP Year 3 programme
MFL	Greetings/Numbers Going to school	At home Shopping	Hobbies Weather