



St Teresa's Primary School Curriculum Overview 2025-2026

Early Years

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Traditional tales	Autum/Celebrations	Heros/Talents & Powers	Wild animals/Around the world	Spring/ Growing	Travel/Journeys
RE	Creation & Covenant	Prophecy & Promise	Galilee to Jerusalem	Desert to Garden	To the Ends of the Earth	Dialog and Encounter
Literacy <i>(Literacy tree reading root text)</i>	Traditional Tales Three Little Pigs Goldilocks The Gingerbread Man Little Red Hen <i>Ning & The Night Spirits</i> Little Wandle Phonics	Autumn Adventures <i>Henry Finch</i> Little Glow No Dinner! The Christmasaurus Jolly Postman Nativity Little Wandle Phonics	Heroes Super Daisy Super Worm <i>Little Red</i> <i>The Magic Paintbrush</i> The Jolly Postman Little Wandle Phonics	Into the Wild Tiger who came to Tea Abigail Augustus Animal Bop <i>Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain</i> Little Wandle Phonics	Growing Oliver's Vegetables Jasper's Beanstalk <i>Tiny Seed</i> The Very Hungry Caterpillar Omar and the Bees Little Wandle Phonics	Travelling Bear Hunt Stick Man Handa's Surprise <i>Look Up</i> <i>Hairy McLary</i> Little Wandle Phonics
Maths	NCETM : Subitising within 3, counting skills, exploring how all numbers are made of 1's, composition of 3, 4 and 5, subitising objects and sounds, comparison of sets, explore the concept of 'whole' and 'part', matching numerals to quantities to 10, counting beyond 20, using the language of <i>more than</i> and <i>fewer than, equal</i> .		NCETM: Subitising within 5, counting-ordinality and the 'staircase' pattern, focus on 5 and 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit', making unequal sets equal, use language of 'less than', exploring doubles, sorting numbers by attributes. Revision of Autumn skills and knowledge.		NCETM: Counting larger sets and things that cannot be seen, subitising to 6, composition of 10, comparison linked to ordinality, track games, using rekenreks. Review and secure skills in: automatic recall, composition of numbers to 10, comparison, number patters and counting.	
PSED	Building new relationships. Sharing what makes them unique. Personal hygiene routines. Importance of exercise.	Social rules and expectations and how these look in school. Class promises. Healthy eating. Listening skills.	Sharing our thoughts and ideas. Oral Hygiene. Showing kindness towards others.	Feelings and their effects on others. Healthy screen time habits and Internet safety. Resolving differences and social problem solving.	Self-regulation skills and emotional literacy. Importance of sleep. What makes a good friend.	Resilience and attitude to challenges. Setting goals. Road safety. Sharing opinions and attitudes to differences.
Communication and Language	Listening to stories and talking about the characters. Asking 'what' and 'who' questions. Sharing favourite stories. Using vocabulary from focus literature. Using new vocabulary in conversations.		Discussing key events from stories and linking to own experiences. Asking 'when' and 'where' questions. Using connectives to link ideas and thoughts. Communicating thoughts and ideas in larger groups.		Creating alternative story endings. Justifying ideas and opinions using learnt information. Asking 'why' and 'how' questions. Sharing detailed stories from own experiences. Using well-articulated sentences to share thoughts and ideas.	
Physical Development	Skipping and jumping skills. Crossing the midline in gross and fine motor movements. Pencil grip and posture. Name writing. Scissor skills.		Upper body coordination in gross and fine motor skills. Sports games and rules. Ball skills. Accurate letter formation. Small group games		Ball skills. Using sports equipment safely. Sports games and rules. Scissor skills. Sewing skills. Capital letter formation.	
Understanding the World	Similarities and differences. All about me. Autumn. Our world.	Remembrance day, Guy Fawkes. Our town. Exploring materials. Exploring magnets.	Real life heroes. People who help us. Our School. Winter. Floating & sinking. Experiments.	Habitats. Animals. Spring. Changes in nature. Cooking. Looking after our world.	Past, present, future. Planting and caring for living things. Life cycles. Seasonal changes.	Space. Basildon then and now. African adventure. Summer.
Expressive Arts and Design	Singing familiar songs and rhymes. Colour mixing. Self portraits. Joining construction resources. Small world.	Nativity songs and performance. Small world. Exploring instruments. Moulding. Artist focus - Kandinsky.	Rhyme and rhythm. 2D collages. Small world. Joining materials.	Playing a variety of instruments. Choreographed dancing. 3D collages. Small world.	Still life pictures. Exploring pitch in music. Artist focus: Alma Thomas. Small world.	Africa: music, patterns, dancing, clothing, food, animals. Shades in colour mixing. Small world.