Thaxted Primary School Curriculum Overview 2026/27

Year 3/4 - Simmonds Class

Term:	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
Focus Theme:	Stone Age to Iron Age		Rivers/Europe and North America		The Roman Empire & its impact on Britain	
Hook:	Stone age person visit		River walk		Visit to Roman site	
Class Reading Text:	Zombierella by Joseph Coelho (written in narrative verse - part of the Fairy Tales Gone Bad series) Creeping Beauty / Frankenstiltskin The Land of Roar by Jenny McLachlan		The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate Dicamillo - Fantasy The Last Bear by Hannah Bold – Environmental		Varjak Paw S F Said The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe by C S Lewis	
Showcase:	Show and Share		Presentation to parents		Presentation to another KS2 class.	
Enrichment:	Harvest Festival STEM Day Christmas Carol Concert		NSPCC maths day World Book Day		Visit to Roman site. End of KS2 show.	
Subject Area:	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
Other reading texts	Literacy Shed		Literacy Shed		Literacy Shed	
Poetry	Performance Poetry National Poetry Day	Nonsense Poetry	Tanka, Cinquain, Haiku	Kennings and Quatrains	Classic: From A Railway Carriage, Robert Louis Stevenson	Free Verse
Writing Focus	NF: Recount F: Traditional (setting)	NF:1) letter 2) Persuade (book review)	NF: Information F: Traditional Tales and from	NF: 1) Instructions	NF: 1) Explanation	NF: 1) Persuade

		F: Historical settings	around the world	2) Information text (curriculum link) F: Adventure	2) Instructions (curriculum link) F: Playscript	2) Explanation (curriculum link) F: Fables, myths and legends
Mathematics	Place value Addition, subtraction.	Multiplication and Division A Area	Multiplication and division B. Length and Perimeter	Fractions A Mass and Capacity Fractions B	Time Decimals Money	Shape Position & direction Statistics
RE	*Enquiry: How do people express a commitment to a religion or worldview in different ways?*	What is the Trinity?	*What is philosophy? How do people make moral decisions?*	*What do Muslims believe about God?*		
Computing		Creating media - Animation		Data – Branching database		Programming - Sequences
Science	Electricity	Sound	States of Matter	Living things and their habitats	Animals including Humans	Scientists and discoveries
History	Stone Age to Iron Age				The Roman Empire & its impact on Britain	
Geography			Rivers – UK Europe North America			Volcanoes, Mountains and earthquakes– Europe

Art	Drawing, painting & cave drawing in charcoal		Painting- landscapes Study of a European artist, ,drawing & collage		Textiles and sculpture Mosaic work	
Design and Technology		**CAMS** - mechanical systems – Move the stones of Stonehenge.		Food -design a savoury dish		Textiles - clothes, sewing/dying
Physical Education	Dodgeball	Dance	Net/wall games Gymnastics	Attacking principles Dance	Athletics Striking and fielding	Striking and Fielding Athletics
Music	Exploring feelings	Glockenspiel	Expression and Improvisation	Glockenspiel	Compose with your friends	Compose with your friends
PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
French	Phonics lesson 1 & 2 + Musical instruments	Seasons	Vegetables	Ice Creams	Presenting myself	