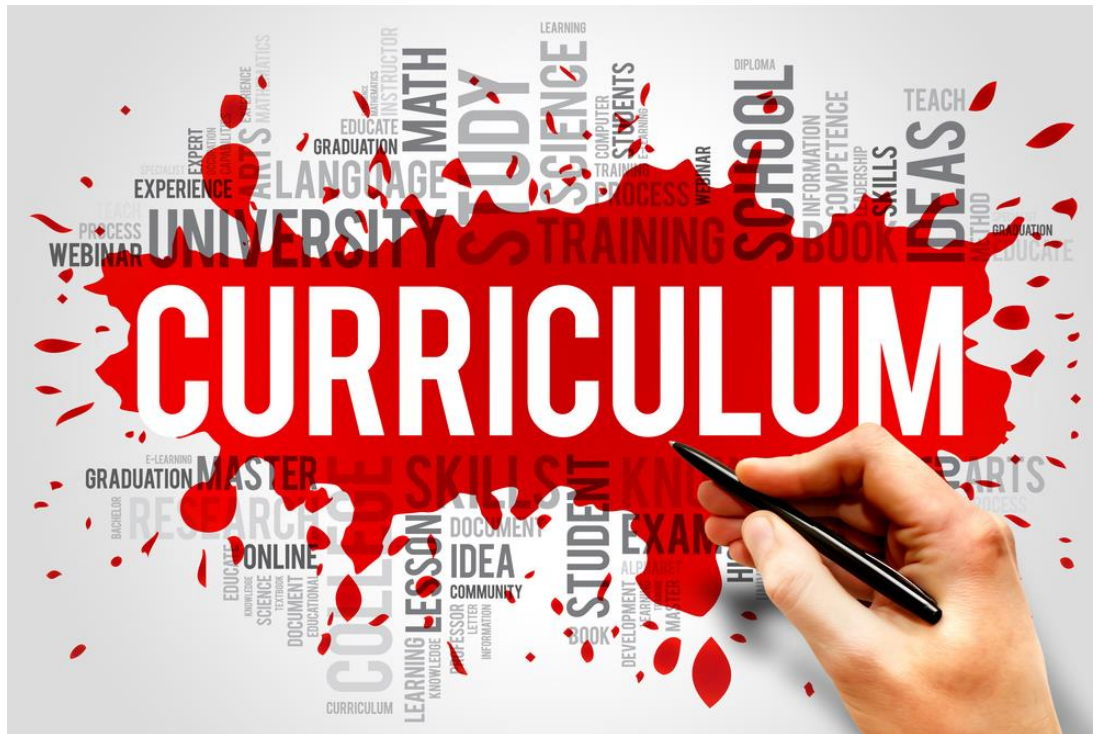


## Year 1 Curriculum Themes 2020/21



## Autumn Term 1 – Moon Zoom

The characters from our key texts 'Beegu', 'Whatever Next' and 'Man on the Moon' guide us on our journey as we blast off into space. We discover what it takes to become an astronaut and develop our scientific skills as we explore the mysteries of the solar system.

### Autumn Term 2 –School Days

We will explore the history of schools as we step back into Victorian times. With help from Whiffy from “Whiffy Wilson, The Wolf who wouldn’t go to School”, we will use our historical questioning to compare schooling in the Victorian era with schooling today. We will then develop our skills of design and technology as we continue to discover more about the materials of toys and even design one of our own.

## **Spring Term 1 – Magnificent Monarchs**

We will be diving into history as we compare the lives of Monarchs from AD871 until present. Using timelines, information about royal palaces, portraits and other historical sources, children will build an understanding of the monarchs as they research six of the most significant sovereigns. The Paper Bag Princess, Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine and Paddington Bear will guide us on a journey back in time as we explore how castles have changed and the roles different people had. We will also be looking at the popular stories

of Julia Donaldson within our 'Take One Author' topic, and how she uses her writing skills to capture the imagination of the reader.

### **Spring Term 2 - There's no place like home**

Using our magical beanstalk and messages from the Jolly Postman we are transported into a variety of traditional stories. As we go along our journey, we look into plants and how they grow and we study human and physical features within our local community.

### **Summer Term 1 – Rio de Vida**

Dancing feet, step to the samba beat. Shake it, shimmy, hands in the air, wave your flags in the cool night air. We will be packing our bags and climbing aboard our jet as we take a trip to discover the vibrant culture of Rio, keeping the rhythm with our party shakers. We will be meeting magical creatures from Brazil's myths and legends in books such as "Jabuti the Tortoise" and we will be creating our own too. Comparing Rio with England, we will discuss similarities and differences between the two contrasting countries.

### **Summer Term 2 – The Enchanted Woodland**

If you go down to the woods today you're in for a BIG Surprise! Foxes and badgers, voles and mice, beady eyed owls in the swaying tree tops ... and beneath are tiny footprints to a tiny door ... who could live there? The Gruffalo, begins our journey all about animals, then we move on to 'Where the Wild Things Are'. We will be developing our scientific knowledge, we will identify a variety of different animals, discussing whether they are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores and look at designing our very own animal.