Princess May Primary School

YEAR 3 — CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

2026–2027

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT — R.E.D
Throughout the year, we learn how to flourish as individuals by exploring, reflecting on and developing our school values: Respect; Empathy; Determination (R.E.D)

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS
Black History Month, Anti-Bullying Week, Interfaith Week, World Book Day, International Women's Day, Mental Health Awareness Week

ORACY
Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language, including debate. At Princess May we provide a high-quality oracy education by explicitly teaching children through talk and to talk. We focus on teaching the following skills across the curriculum areas:

Physical: With guidance, use posture and gesture to engage an audience. Understand importance of tone of voice and projection
Linguistic: Choose an appropriate sentence stem. Use taught vocabulary accurately in discussions
Cognitive: Explain reasoning using a range of conjunctions e.g., because, but, so. Ask relevant questions and summarise the answer
Social & Emotional: Demonstrate active listening by responding to the speaker Manage a talk task independently e.g. chaired discussion

Subject	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reading (Destination Reader)	An individual strategy is taught weekly: Lost Species by Jess French and Daniel Long	An individual strategy is taught weekly: The Tear Thief	An individual strategy is taught weekly: Leon and the Place Between by Angela McAllister	An individual strategy is taught weekly: Journey – Francesca Sanna	An individual strategy is taught weekly: The Sheep Pig by Dick King-Smith	An individual strategy is taught weekly: Oliver and the Seawigs by Phillip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre
Writing (Literacy Tree)	The First Drawings by Mordicai Gerstein	The Heart and the Bottle by Oliver Jeffers	The BFG by Roald Dahl *book and film	Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit	The Mysteries of Harris Burdick by Chris Van Allsberg	Cinderella of the Nile by Beverley Naidoo
Maths (MyMastery)	Number sense and exploring calculation strategies. Place Value. Graphs	Addition and Subtraction. Length and perimeter.	Multiplication and division – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10. Calculating with multiplication and division.	Time. Fractions.	Angles and Shape. Measures.	Applying multiplicative thinking. Exploring calculation strategies and place value.
Science (Kapow)	**Animals** Movement and Nutrition	**Forces and space** Forces and Magnets	**Materials** Rocks and Soil	**Energy** Light and Shadows	**Plants** Plant Reproduction	**Making Connections** Does hand span affect grip strength?
Humanities (Kapow)	**History:** Would you prefer to have lived in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age?	**History:** Why did the Romans invade and settle in Britain?	**Geography:** Why do people live near volcanoes?	**Geography:** Who lives in Antarctica?	**History:** What was important to ancient Egyptians?	**Geography:** Are all settlements the same?
Computing (Kapow)	**Programming** Scratch	**Computing systems** Connecting devices	**Programming** MakeCode: Loops	**Creating media** Creating video trailers	**Creating media** Creating a website	**Data handling** Exploring branching databases
Art and DT (Kapow)	**Art:** Drawing: Growing artists	**DT:** Structures: Products and packaging	**Art:** Painting and mixed media: Prehistoric painting	**DT:** Cooking and Nutrition: Eating seasonally	**Art:** Craft & Design: Ancient Egyptian scrolls	**DT:** Textiles: Egyptian collars
Music (Charanga)	Let Your Spirit Fly	Glockenspiel Stage 1	Three Little Birds	The Dragon Song	Bringing Us Together	Reflect, Rewind and Replay
RE (Kapow)	How did Jesus and Buddha make people stop and think?	What is the significance of light?	How do Jews celebrate their beliefs at home and in the synagogue? Visit: Synagogue	How and why do Hindus celebrate Holi?	What can we learn about symbols and signs used in religions?	What do Sikh sayings tell us about Sikh beliefs?
Spanish (Specialist)	Spanish speaking countries, greetings, phonics 1, revision	Numbers, giving age, pencil case, phonics 2 La Navidad en España	Classroom language, Animals, colours, adjectives,Oso Pardo story (Brown Bear)	Days of the week, fruit & foods,Very Hungry Caterpillar story	Months, retelling stories,making a butterfly	Snack foods,ordering food in a café, roleplays
PSHE and Wellbeing (Kapow)	My healthy self: How can I take care of my mind and body?	Connecting with others: What helps us feel safe and included?	The online world: How do we communicate online?	Citizenship: What rights and responsibilities do we have?	Health protection: How can I prevent illness and injury and respond if they happen?	Citizenship: What careers do people choose and why?
PE (GetSet4PE)	Teacher led: Fitness Coach led: Fundamentals	Teacher led: Dodgeball Coach led: Ball Skills	Teacher led: Dance Coach led: Football	Teacher led: Gymnastics Coach led: Handball	Teacher led: Parkour Coach led: Basketball	Teacher led: Tennis Coach led: Athletics