St Patrick and St Edmund's Yearly Overview 2026–2027

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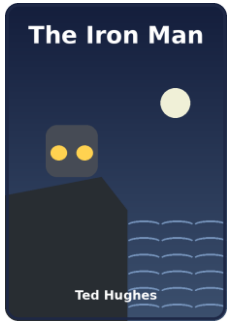
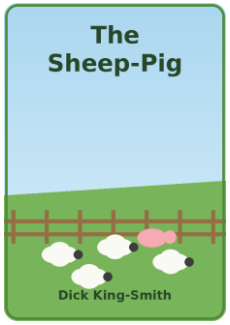
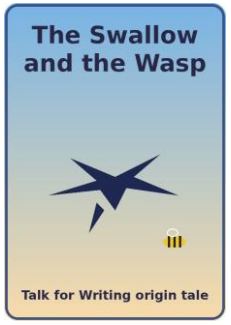
Building the Kingdom – Catholic Social Teaching	**Human Dignity** *Sept – New Beginnings* "For I know the plans I have for you…" Jeremiah 29:11 **Solidarity** *Oct – Faith & Mission (Mission Month)* "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." Matthew 28:19	**Preferential Option for the Poor** *Nov – Remembrance & Eternal Hope* "I am the resurrection and the life." John 11:25 **Common Good** *Dec – Advent & Christmas* "The light shines in the darkness…" John 1:5	**Participation** *Jan – Wisdom & New Year* "Teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart." Psalm 90:12 **Common Good** *Feb – Love & Compassion* "Let all that you do be done in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14	**Common Good** *Feb – Love & Compassion* **Dignity of Work** *March – Lent* "Create in me a clean heart, O God." Psalm 51:10	**Solidarity** *April – Eastertide* "I am the resurrection and the life." John 11:25 **Care for Creation** *May – Mary & Trust* "The Mighty One has done great things for me…" Luke 1:49	**Common Good** *June – Service & Community* "Serve one another humbly in love." Galatians 5:13 **Care for Creation – Stewardship** *July – Growth & Gratitude* "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good." Psalm 107:1
Monthly Prayer Focus	Sept: Our Lady of Sorrows Oct: The Holy Rosary	Nov: The Holy Souls (All Souls) Dec: The Immaculate Conception / Advent	Jan: The Holy Name of Jesus Feb: The Holy Family	Feb: The Holy Family March: St Joseph	April: The Holy Eucharist May: Our Lady	June: The Sacred Heart of Jesus July: The Precious Blood of Jesus
Big Question	**Family and Community** *"This is my commandment: Love one another as I have loved you."* John 15:12–17		**Dignity of Work** *"The Lord blesses our work so that we may share its fruits with others."* Deuteronomy 14:28–29		**Solidarity and the Common Good** *"If one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honoured, all the members rejoice with it."* 1 Corinthians 12:26	
Core texts (English)	 **The Iron Man** *Ted Hughes* Narrative: suspense and character	 **Kasim and the Dragon** *Talk for Writing model text* Journey tale: there and back	 **The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe** *C.S. Lewis* Portal story	 **Hansel and Gretel** *Anthony Browne* Fairy story	 **The Sheep-Pig** *Dick King-Smith* Character and dialogue	 **The Swallow and the Wasp** *Talk for Writing origin tale* Myths and legends

English (Talk for Writing)	**Narrative** The Iron Man – suspense openings and character description. **Non-fiction** Instructions (imperative verbs, time adverbs, sub-headings). **Poetry (Autumn term)** Seasonal and descriptive poetry; James Carter, The World's Greatest Space Cadet. **GPS:** time, place and cause with conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions; a or an.	**Narrative** Kasim and the Dragon – a journey ('there and back') tale. **Non-fiction** Explanation / simple report – Egyptian life. **GPS:** paragraphs to group related material; headings and sub-headings; word families.	**Narrative** Portal story – The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. **Non-fiction** Diary (recount) in role. **Poetry (Spring term)** Grace Nichols, Paint Me a Poem; list poems – 'Through the magical door I saw…' **GPS:** present perfect form of verbs.	**Narrative** Fairy story – Hansel and Gretel (Anthony Browne) compared with the traditional tale. **Non-fiction** Persuasion – an advert for the gingerbread house. **GPS:** inverted commas for direct speech; prefixes super-, anti-, auto-.	**Narrative** The Sheep-Pig – character and dialogue. **Non-fiction** Non-chronological report (science link). **Poetry (Summer term)** Performance poetry – Michael Rosen, Quick, Let's Get Out of Here; Brian Patten. **GPS:** secure paragraphs and inverted commas.	**Narrative** Myths and legends – The Swallow and the Wasp or a Greek myth. **Non-fiction** Newspaper report. **Plays** Read, rehearse and perform a short play script. **GPS:** editing and proofreading.
Maths (White Rose Maths)	**Place Value** Numbers to 1,000: represent, compare, order; count in 50s. **Addition and Subtraction** Add and subtract up to 3-digit numbers, including column methods; estimate and check.	**Multiplication and Division A** Equal groups; the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and related division facts. **Key concept:** multiplication and division as inverse operations.	**Multiplication and Division B** Multiply and divide 2-digit by 1-digit numbers; scaling. **Length and Perimeter** Measure in mm, cm and m; perimeter.	**Fractions A** Unit and non-unit fractions; fractions on a number line; equivalent fractions. **Mass and Capacity** Measure mass (g, kg) and capacity (ml, l).	**Fractions B** Add and subtract fractions; fractions of a set. **Money** Pounds and pence; add, subtract and give change. **Time** Roman numerals; tell the time to the minute; 12- and 24-hour clocks.	**Shape** Turns and angles; right angles; horizontal, vertical, perpendicular and parallel lines; 2-D and 3-D shapes. **Statistics** Pictograms, bar charts and tables.
R.E. (Discerning Disciples)	**Branch 1:** **Creation and Covenant** • Genesis – poetic language of creation • Made in the image of God • The dignity of every person • Creation and human equality • Stewardship and ecological virtues • Laudato Si' – everything is connected • Psalms and prayers praising creation	**Branch 2:** **Prophecy and Promise** • Sunday – a holy day of rest • Catholics gather to celebrate Mass • Prayers, signs and actions at Mass • Angels as God's messengers • Joseph trusts God's message • Isaiah's prophecy and Jesus	**Branch 3:** **Galilee to Jerusalem** • The Magi and Jesus' identity • Kingdom of God • Miracles: signs of the Kingdom • Parables of the Kingdom • Comparing Kingdom parables • Our Father and the Kingdom	**Branch 4:** **Desert to Garden** • Feeding the 5,000 • Last Supper and loaves • Love at the Last Supper; Holy Communion • Last Supper and Mass • Eucharist: Christ as food • Liturgy of the Eucharist	**Branch 5:** **To the Ends of the Earth** • Emmaus, the Great Commission and the Mass • The Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit • Prayers to the Trinity and Holy Spirit • Mary praying with the disciples • The early Church and Mass today • The Gospels, Acts and letters of St Paul	**Branch 6:** **Dialogue and Encounter** • The Passover and the Last Supper • The Jewish Passover Seder – symbols and traditions • The Jewish Passover Seder – Exodus remembrance • Islam – belief in Allah, Muhammad and the Qur'an • Islam – Zakat and helping those in need • Islamic art, pattern and calligraphy

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Key Liturgical dates	**8th** September – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary **15th** September – Our Lady of Sorrows **1st** October – St Thérèse of Lisieux **4th** October – St Francis of Assisi **7th** October – Our Lady of the Rosary **18th** October – World Mission Sunday	**1st** November – All Saints (Holy Day of Obligation) **2nd** November – All Souls **22nd** November – Christ the King **29th** November – First Sunday of Advent **8th** December – Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) **25th** December – Christmas Day	**3rd** January – Epiphany **10th** January – Baptism of the Lord **2nd** February – Presentation of the Lord **10th** February – Ash Wednesday **11th** February – World Day of the Sick (OLOL)	**1st** March – St David **17th** March – St Patrick **19th** March – St Joseph **21st** March – Palm Sunday **25th**–27th March – Easter Triduum **28th** March – Easter Sunday	**5th** April – The Annunciation of the Lord (moved from 25th March) **23rd** April – St George **9th** May – Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) **16th** May – Pentecost **19th** May – St Dunstan's Feast Day **31st** May – The Visitation (Mary visits Elizabeth)	**4th** June – Most Sacred Heart of Jesus **24th** June – Birth of St John the Baptist **29th** June – St Peter and St Paul (Holy Day of Obligation) **1st** July – The Precious Blood of Jesus

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RSHE (Ten Ten – Life to the Full)	*No sessions in Pathway &3 this half term.*	**Module 1: Created and Loved by God** Story sessions: Get Up! • The Sacraments • We Don't Have to be the Same • Respecting our Bodies • What is Puberty?	**Module 1 (continued)** • What Am I Feeling? • What Am I Looking At? • I Am Thankful • Life Cycles • A Time For Everything	**Module 2: Created to Love Others** Story sessions: Jesus, My Friend • Family, Friends and Others • When Things Feel Bad • Balancing Needs • Sharing Online • Chatting Online	**Module 2 (continued)** • Safe In My Body • Recognising Risk • Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco • First Aid Heroes	**Module 3: Created to Live in Community** • A Community of Love • What is the Church? • How Do I Love Others?
Science	**Plants** • What are the parts of a plant? • What do plants need to grow? • How does water move around a plant? • Why do plants need flowers? • How do plants make new plants? • What are the stages of a plant life cycle?	**Rocks** • How can we describe rocks? • How do volcanoes make igneous rocks? • Where can we find fossils? • Can rocks be changed? • Can we recycle rocks? • Why is soil important?	**Light** • Light source or light reflector? • Transparent, translucent or opaque? • What makes a good reflector? • What is a shadow? • How can we protect our eyes from the sun? • How do telescopes work?	**Animals including Humans** • How living things get energy • The different nutrients we need to eat • Food requirements for a range of animals • The bones in the body • Bones in other animals • How animals move using muscles	**Forces and Magnets** • How do we make things move? • What is a force? • What are some non-contact forces? • Are all metals magnetic? • Can you make a magnet stronger? • Can magnets help us when we are lost?	**The Bee Project** • What is a bee? • What is inside a hive? • What do bees make? • How do bees communicate? • Who makes honey? • What is happening to bees?
Geography	**Rivers** *How do rivers, people and land affect each other?*	**Mountains** *How do mountains and people affect each other?*	**Settlements** *How are settlements similar and different?*	**Agriculture** *How are we connected to farmers?*	**Volcanoes** *How do volcanoes affect a place?*	**Climate and Biomes** *How does the climate affect the way people live?*
History	**Ancient Egypt** *In what ways did ancient Egypt change?*	**Cradles of Civilisation** *How similar and how different were Ancient Egypt and Ancient Sumer?*	**Indus Valley Civilisation** *How do we know about the Indus Valley civilisation?*	**Persia and Greece** *What did Greek city-states have in common?*	**Ancient Greece** *What can historians learn from the sources from Ancient Greece?*	**Alexander the Great** *How did Alexander the Great conquer so much land?*
P.E.		**Basketball** Dance	**Football**	**Invasion Games**	**Tennis**	**Athletics**
Computing (Junior Jam iMedia, Level 1)	**iCommunicate – iCollaborate** Podcasting, blogging, vlogging and broadcast channels; collaborating online.	**iProgram – iLogic** Coding with Blockly: functions, loops, conditionals and variables; Spirograph-style art.	**iSecure** Staying safe online; basic functions of Word and Excel.	**iCreate – iStop Motion** Make a stop motion film with chroma key, Foley and titles.	**iJam – iSong** Songwriting in pairs or groups using GarageBand.	**iTech – iCSI: Cold Case** Whole-KS2 course (2026/27): using technology to help solve crimes.
Art	**Cave Paintings** Natural materials.		**Birmingham Graffiti** Street art.		**Images and Video** Amazon rainforest.	
DT		**Design and Make** Torches.		**Recycled Materials** Egyptian artefacts.		**Food** Greek salad.
Music (Junior Jam)	**A new Junior Jam course each half term (one-hour weekly lessons), including the Year 3 core courses:** **Singing Level 1 –** Controlling our voices **Songwriting with Glockenspiels Level 1 –** The basics **Music Theory Level 1 (keyboards) –** Building on the fundamentals **Singing and hymn practice** throughout the year					

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Other key dates	**21st** September – International Day of Peace October – Black History Month **10th** October – World Mental Health Day **9th**–13th November – Anti-Bullying Week **11th** November – Remembrance Day **3rd** December – International Day of Persons with Disabilities **10th** December – Human Rights Day		**27th** January – Holocaust Memorial Day **1st**–7th February – Children's Mental Health Week **9th** February – Safer Internet Day **20th** February – World Day of Social Justice **4th** March – World Book Day **5th** March – Women's World Day of Prayer **8th** March – International Women's Day **21st** March – World Down Syndrome Day **22nd** March – World Water Day		**22nd** April – Earth Day **10th**–16th May – Mental Health Awareness Week **14th**–20th June – Refugee Week **20th** June – World Refugee Day **18th** July – Nelson Mandela Day	