

Otters Class Year 3 & 4 Curriculum Overview Year A

Our school is a beacon of light. A place where every child and adult is encouraged to shine brightly and reach their full potential. Through curiosity, courage, and compassion, we shine like a lamp in our classrooms, like a village on a hill in our community, and like shining stars across the wider world.

	Impact & Power		Perception & Empathy		Celebration & Change	
Opportunities to Shine 	River Stour visit Make Seawigs	Mummifying tomatoes Hands on digestive system experiment Christmas Carol Concert	Environmental Team visit Grow a plant Make a Tin Forest	STEM ambassador for light Anglo-Saxon artefacts from a museum	Exploring our grounds for rocks and soil Exploring the grounds at that farm Create our own pebble in my pocket	KS2 Production Exploring the Minnis/locality Minnis Mile
Our Core Texts 	Oliver and the Seawigs by Phillip Reeve Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx by Joe Todd-Stanton		The Tin Forest by Helen Ward The King who banned the Dark by Emily Haworth-Booth		Pebble in my Pocket by By Meridith Hooper Milo imagines the world by Matt de la Pena	

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Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
History/ Geography	Geography: What is the impact of our water networks?	History: How did the Nile impact on Ancient Egypt?	Geography: How do we feel about deforestation?	History: What was life like for an Anglo-Saxon?	Geography: How is the Earth changing?	History: What led to the Viking invasion?
Art/ DT	Art: What is the power of shade?	DT: Shadufs	Art: What do you see when you look up?	DT: Anglo-Saxon Homes	Art: How can art change the world?	DT: Coat of Arms
Reading (Complete Comprehension)	Texts: The Ice Palace A House of Snow and Ice The Heavenly River Tsunamis on the Move Progress Check 1: The Selfish Giant Skills: inference, retrieval, word meaning	Texts: The Story of Tutankhamun The Moomins and the Great Flood The History behind Christmas Traditions The Little Daughter of Snow The Butterfly Lion Skills: word meaning, inference, relationship, retrieval, word choice	Texts: New Year Celebrations Tom’s Midnight Garden Threats to African Elephants Volcanoes in Action Progress Check 2: Secrets of the Sun King Skills: retrieval, comparison, inference,	Texts: Stone Circles Roman Britain The Magic Finger The Secret World of Polly Flint Black Beauty Skills: summarising, retrieval, inference	Texts: Everything Castles Norse Mythology Iron Man The Madhatters Progress Check 3: Discover the Vikings Skills: inference, prediction, comparison	Texts: My Brother is a Superhero Prawn Pizza Sugar: Facts Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland Wild Animals to Be Banned from Circuses Skills: retrieval, summarising, relationship, word meaning
Writing (Outcomes)	Narrative Diary Entry	Instructions Narrative	Persuasive piece Describe a setting	Poetry Balanced Argument	Describe a character Non-chronological report	Letter Narrative
Grammar, punctuation & Spelling	Ready to Write Determiners Pronouns	Conjunctions Adverbs	Prepositions Fronted Adverbials Apostrophes	Tenses Noun Phrases Paragraphs	Speech Prefixes/Suffixes	Word families Standard English
Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction	Multiplication and Division Area	Multiplication and Division Measurement: Length and Perimeter	Fractions Mass and Capacity	Decimals Money Time	Shape Position and Direction Statistics
Science	States of Matter	Animals including humans: digestive system, teeth, food chains	Plants	Light	Rocks and Soil	Animals including Humans: Nutrition, Skeleton and Muscles
Computing	Online Safety	Internet Research	Programming	Desktop Publishing	Drawing	Scratch
Music	Music, Story and Expression	Music Around the World	Composing, Creating and Performing	Music, Story and Expression	Music Around the World	Composing, Creating and Performing
RE	PEOPLE OF GOD What is it like to follow God?	INCARNATION What is the Trinity?	SIKHISM What is important for the Sikh people?	SIKHISM How do Sikh people celebrate and worship?	KINGDOM of GOD When Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?	HUMANISM What is Humanism?
PSHE	Being in my world	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
PE	Handball Forest School/ Farm School	Tag Rugby Forest School/ Farm School	Gymnastics Forest School/ Farm School	Hockey Forest School/ Farm School	Athletics Forest School/ Farm School	Rounders Forest School/ Farm School
Spanish	Meet and Greet	My Body	Time to eat	People around me	All about school	Tell me when