

U3 LEARNING THEMES 2025-26



TERM 1.1 ROAD TRIP USA



Driving Theme: American Tribes, Natural Landmarks and Map skills
Driving Subject(s) Geography and Maths
Big Question: How can exploring a country as large as the USA change the way we see our own world?
Memorable Experience: The mysterious suitcase
Real World Outcome: Planning a trip to the USA on a budget

TERM 1.2 OUR CHANGING WORLD



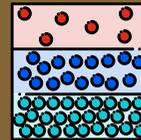
Driving Theme: Features of Earth, time zones and lines of latitude and longitude to pinpoint places on a map, climate change and global warming
Driving Subject(s) Geography and Maths
Big Question: How do physical and human changes across the world affect the way people live, trade and travel today
Memorable Experience: "The Day the World Changed" — A Live Mystery Investigation
Real World Outcome: Our Changing World Exhibition

TERM 2.1 OFF WITH HER HEAD



Driving Theme: Explore the 1500s and meet the terrifying Tudors, a domineering dynasty that changed our history.
Driving Subject(s) History
Big Question: How did the powerful and ruthless decisions of the Tudor monarchs change life in England during the 1500s?
Memorable Experience: Meet the Wives of Henry VIII
Real World Outcome: A Tudor Newspaper – "The Tudor Times"

TERM 2.2 STATE OF MATTER



Driving Theme: This project teaches children about solids, liquids and gases and their characteristic properties
Driving Subject(s) STEAM
Big Question: Why does matter keep changing its mind?
Memorable Experience: The Mystery of the Melting Classroom!
Real World Outcome: Become Ice-Cream Engineers!

TERM 3.1 BLOOD HEART



Driving Theme: This project will Circulatory system; Measuring heart rate; Lifestyle effects; Working scientifically
Driving Subject(s) STEAM
Big Question: What can your heart rate tell you?
Memorable Experience: Heart Detectives
Real World Outcome: Fundraising for a heart charity

TERM 3.2 TOMORROWS WORLD



Driving Theme: Online research; Computer networks; Algorithms; Logical reasoning;
Driving Subject(s) Digital Literacy
Big Question: What will tomorrow's world look like, and how can we help create it?
Memorable Experience: A Message From the Future
Real World Outcome: A class Podcast