

An Introduction to Thematic Curriculum

Thematic/ Integrated Curriculum

“The Thematic, integrated curriculum is a great gift to students and teachers. It’s like getting a new pair of lenses that makes teaching a lot more exciting and help us look forward into the next century. It will help the students take control of their own learning.”

Objective:

Thematic curriculum integration makes education a process for developing abilities required by life in the 21st century, rather than discrete, departmentalized subject matter. It views learning and teaching in a holistic way and reflects the real world, which is interactive. It includes:

- A combination of subjects
- An emphasis on projects
- Sources that go beyond textbooks
- Relationship among concepts
- Thematic units as organizing principles
- Flexible schedules
- Flexible student groupings

Content / Themes: The following eight themes of global significance create a framework that allows students to “step up” beyond the confines of learning within subject areas.

1. There are 11 cycles in the primary section according to the different months.
2. Eight themes for the 11 cycles.
 - Cycle 1 and 2 April and May –My world
 - Cycle 3 July -Do live around here?
 - Cycle 4 August -They make a difference
 - Cycle 5 September -A world of machines
 - Cycle 6 October -Come and join the celebration
 - Cycle 7 and 8 November and December –We see the world like this
 - Cycle 9 January - Space
 - Cycle 10 and 11 February and March- Words in the air
3. Lessons are taught theme wise and not sequentially.
4. Subjects are integrated theme wise.
5. Mathematics, English and Hindi grammar are done sequentially and not thematically. For details please refer to syllabus mapping.
6. Themes are common for all classes 1 to 5. There is vertical integration which helps in collective displays, excursion and utilization of resources.

Annexure I –Thematic Curriculum.

Annexure II-Curriculum Mapping.

Annexure III-Assessment Date Sheet

Annexure I –Thematic Curriculum

I APRIL / MAY

THEME : MY WORLD: : An exploration of the nature of the self; The beliefs and values of our families, personal, physical health, social bonding with Friend, our rights and responsibilities

ENGLISH: Poem -Mothers Are For.L-7 Alice And The Strange Animals;-This module deals with animals in our immediate surroundings & their habitat. The poem highlights the mother-child relationship which is the very basis of a child's existence.

SCIENCE: L-4 Living and Non Living L-8 Man the living machine In this module the students learn to differentiate between living and non-living things & classify their immediate surroundings on this basis via nature walk & other activities & simple experiments.

SOCIAL STUDIES: L-22 Early Humans ; L-8 Our Beautiful Country - The lesson gives a glimpse into the evolution of human being & how this gradual progress led to modern human being, also how various discoveries & inventions by early man led to this modern world.

HINDI:

L-2 Rani Chinti ; L-5 Payara Appu-Through a very interesting story, the child is made to realize that one should never overestimate or underestimate oneself & take pride in what we are.

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 1-Number and Numeration

II JULY

THEME: DO YOU LIVE AROUND HERE? THAT'S LIFE! : - Here we are acquainted and introduced to many living things around us. Here all the subjects help you learn that all living things have a right to live.

ENGLISH: L-4 The Clever Rabbit; L-12 Sara and the Elephant - This module allows the child to explore the eating habits & homes of wild animals through a very interesting story from Panchtantra. It also teaches one to be modest about their abilities & strengths.

SCIENCE: L-5 Animals and plants L-6 Parts of a plant This module helps the child to understand the basic differences between plants & animals and their co-existence and interdependence in nature.

SOCIAL STUDIES: L- 8 Our Beautiful Country L-9 Delhi - The lesson about Delhi helps the child to develop a sense of belonging to his/her city through a brief study of its location, flora and fauna.

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HINDI :L-10-Koyal ; L-13-Bansuri Wala Through this poem, the student becomes aware the birds & their calls around his home/ school & also why a particular bird sings only during a particular season.

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 3- Addition

III AUGUST

THEME: THEY MAKE A DIFFERENCE - - - “Few things like people places make an impact on our lives and everyone around us. There’s one thing about them, which leaves an impression on our mind. Thus, making a difference in our approach.

ENGLISH: L-8 Never –Ending Story ; L-10 Mr. Sun Makes A Holiday - In this module the child understands the importance of Sun, its light and warmth for the existence of all living things through a very interesting story.

SCIENCE: L-13 Water and weather - Water is neither created nor destroyed. Here the child realizes the importance of water, its recycling in nature and as to why we need to conserve our water resources.

SOCIAL STUDIES: L-10 Mumbai L-12 Chennai - This module explains how the location of a place influences its climate, culture and industries. How and why life is so different in the coastal regions.

HINDIL-

L-3-sachai ; L –Karamveer -The student is inspired to be honest and truthful in his/her approach through a story on one of our great leaders.

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 4- Subtraction

IV SEPTEMBER

THEME: A WORLD OF MACHINES AND CRACKING IDEAS! - Mechanics and electronics is the new language of this generation.

ENGLISH: Course book- L-1 The Little Red Kite; Course book- Poem--Lunch For A Dinosaur The lesson in this cycle of our thematic curriculum helps the child to relate the joy of flying a kite to the power and direction of the wind .He is also encouraged to to design and fly his very own kite!

SCIENCE: L-9 Measurement - The student understands the basics of measuring the physical attributes of an object in terms of length, weight, and capacity. They also study about time and temperature and their importance in our day to day life.

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SOCIAL STUDIES: L-11 Kolkata- This module gives the child his first glimpse into technology and various gadgets involved in high speed communication and how gradually this advancement has happened.

HINDI: L-6-Parilok ki **saer** -The virtue of truthfulness is reinforced and the child is encouraged to visualize and draw a vehicle which can transport them to their dream world of fairies and elves.

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 9- Measurement , Chapter 11-Time

V OCTOBER

THEME: COME AND JOIN THE CELEBRATIONS! - : There are many festivals and celebrations during this month.” Thus festivity is here”, subjects are taken up with a festive mood.

SOCIAL STUDIES: L-17 Festivals We Celebrate ; Here the focus is on why different festivals are celebrated and also their social importance

HINDI: L-7-Desh Prem A feeling of patriotism is inculcated by telling the children about our national festivals.

ENGLISH: L-2 Celebrating Earth Day ; L-3 A Gift For Granny - The concept of Earth day is explained to the children by making them realize the importance of their planet and all the plants and animals inhabiting it. Also why during celebrating our special occasions we should not forget our elders and how little gifts from us can bring immense joy in their lives.

SCIENCE: L-10 Light Sound and Force - The child understands the concept of light, sound and force and also how these have an impact on our celebrations. ---How very loud music becomes noise or what effect very bright and flashing lights have on our eyes????

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 10-Money

VI NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

THEME: WE SEE THE WORLD LIKE THIS!!! - “I say north, you say south but, both of us have a doubt. So you need to remember, that there are people and subjects with varied thoughts but together they can change the world!

ENGLISH: L-6 Gita’s Breakfast ;Poem --Block City - Through a lesson here the students get to understand the importance of being organized and the concept of time management in their world is it at home or in a classroom.

SCIENCE: L-7 Birds food and more - This module facilitates the child to look more objectively at the birds in the vicinity and understand as well as observe their nesting and feeding habits.

SOCIAL STUDIES: L-1 The Earth Our Home ; L-21 How We Communicate - The child broadens his horizon and studies about India in terms of its governance and organization at central and state level.

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HINDI: L-15 Uphar-Through a simple short story on a bicycle, the student realizes the gradual process of development in simple things related to him.

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 5-Multiplication

VII JANUARY

THEME: SPACE- Space study is a mystery; it has captured the imagination of young and old alike. Everyone loves to know more about this mysterious space!!

SCIENCE: L-11 Our Earth and its neighbours - This lesson focuses on our solar system and movements of the earth. Also generates interest in constellations and astronomy on the whole

SOCIAL STUDIES: L-3 The Earth's Neighbours - The child studies about the shape of our planet, continents and oceans present in it.

ENGLISH: L-11 Going To The Village ; Poem- If I Could Be An Astronaut
A short poem takes the child into the world of planets, spacecrafts and astronauts. They develop an understanding of the force of gravity. It helps broaden their imagination and visualize how things can be on other planets!!

HINDI: L-1 Ham Haen Suraj Chand Sitarre- Here a poem correlates the purity of a child's heart and mind to the celestial bodies and shows how untouched his soul is!!!!

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 6-Division, Chapter8- Geometrical shapes .

VIII FEBRUARY/MARCH

THEME: WORDS IN THE AIR. - Technology, Communication and transportation is no more a farfetched dream. It has made the World a Global village

ENGLISH: L-5 The Kids' Club. L-9 A Home for A Dinosaur; The lesson highlights the plight of children in developed cities where they have no place to run around and play. How they communicate this to the others makes a really interesting story!!

SCIENCE: L-12 Going into space L-2 Safety and home - This module focuses on rapid advancement in the science and technology and how from a simple wheel cart, today we are travelling into in highly specialised spaceships and also undertaking space walk there!!!!

SOCIAL STUDIES: L-2 How The Earth Looks L-20 How We Travel - This module explains the different modes of transport and how terrain and distance to be travelled influences the transport in a region.

HINDI: L-9 Phalon ka Darbar; L-12 Paropkari Shatpatr The significance of proper communication is highlighted through a simple story on fruits.

MATHEMATICS: Chapter 5 Division (contd) , Chapter 7-Fraction.

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<p>August</p>	<p>They Make A Difference (Climate,Air,Water,Weather And Virtue)</p>	<p>Course book- L-8 Never –Ending Story Activity Book Pg. 43 To 45 Course book- L-10 Mr. Sun Takes A Holiday L-10 Activity Book Pg. 54 To 56 Grammar Course Book -- L—3, L-4 Activity Book-- L- 3 & L – 4</p>
<p>September</p> <p>2nd Round Of Assessment</p>	<p>A World Of Machines And Cracking Ideas.</p>	<p>Course book- L-1 The Little Red Kite L-1 Activity Book Pg. 4 To 6 Course book- Poem--Lunch For A Dinosaur Pg.88 Grammar Course Book-- L- 5 <u>Activity Book – L</u> <u>5</u> Course book- L-8 Never Ending Story Activity Book Pg. 43 to 45 Course book- L-10 Mr. Sun Takes A Holiday L-10 Activity Book Pg. 54 To 56 Grammar- Course Book –L-1, L 3,L4 Activity Book L-1, L-3, L- 4</p>
<p>October</p>	<p>Come And Join The Celebrations (Festivals And Events)</p>	<p>Course book- L-2 Celebrating Earth Day L-2 Activity Book Pg. 9 To 11 Course book- L-3 A Gift For Granny L-3 Activity Book Pg. 14 ,15 Grammar Course Book -- L- 8 Activity Book-- L– 8</p>

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<p>November/December</p> <p>3rd Round Of Assessment</p>	<p>We See The World Like This (School, House, Imagination)</p>	<p>Course book- L-6 Gita's Breakfast L-6 Activity Book Pg. 29 To 31 Course book- Poem --Block City Pg 118 Grammar Course Book-- L-9 <u>Activity Book -- L -9</u> Course book- L-1 The Little Red Kite L-1 Activity Book Pg. 4 To 6 Course book- L-3 A Gift For Granny L-3 Activity Book Pg.14 ,15 Grammar Course Book– L-5, L-8, L-9 Activity Book – L-5,L-8, L-9</p>
<p>January</p>	<p>Space</p>	<p>Course book- L-11 Going To The Village L-11 Activity Book Pg. 59 To 61 Poem- If I Could Be An Astronaut Pg.20 Grammar Course Book-- L-10 Activity Book L-10</p>
<p>February & March</p> <p>4th Round Of Assessment</p>	<p>Words In The Air. Its Not All Greek to me !</p>	<p>Course book- L-5 The Kids' Club L-5 Activity Book Pg. 24 To 26 Course book- L-9 A Home For A Dinosaur L-9 Activity Book Pg. 48 To 51 Grammar Course Book L- 11 Activity Book L– 11 <u>Letter Writing –Leave Application</u> Course book- L- 11 Going To The Village L-11 Activity Book Pg.59 To 61 Course book- L-5 The Kids' Club L-5 Activity Book Pg. 24 To 26 Grammar Course book L 10,11 Activity Book L–10, L-11 , Letter Writing-Leave application</p>

HINDI SYLLABUS 2011- 12

MONTHS	THEMATIC CONTENT	CONTENT
APRIL MAY	My World (Self ,Family, Friends)	अविरल- पाठ 2 रानी चींटी पाठ 5 प्यारा अप्पू व्याकरण - संज्ञा,वचन (लड़का से थाली तक),अपठित गद्यांश
JULY 1st ROUND OF ASSESSMENT	Do You Live Around Here (Plants, Animals, Landforms Neighbourhood)	अविरल -पाठ 10 कोयल (कविता) पाठ 13 बाँसुरी वाला व्याकरण- गिनती (1 से 25 तक) ,अनुच्छेद लेखन,लिंग (बूढ़ा से बालक तक) अविरल- पाठ 2 रानी चींटी , पाठ 10 कोयल (कविता) व्याकरण - संज्ञा,वचन (लड़का से थाली तक), गिनती (1 से 25 तक),लिंग (बूढ़ा से बालक तक) अपठित गद्यांश ,अनुच्छेद लेखन
AUG	They Make A Difference (Virtue)	अविरल- पाठ 3 सच्चाई पाठ 14 कर्मवीर व्याकरण - अपठित गद्यांश,विलोम शब्द (अगला से उपस्थित तक),अनुच्छेद लेखन
SEPT	A World Of Machines And Cracking Ideas	अविरल- पाठ 6 परिलोक की सैर व्याकरण - संज्ञा (पुनरावृत्ति),वाक्यांश के लिए शब्द (1 से 6 तक),गिनती (26 से 50 तक)

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<p>2ND ROUND OF ASSESSMENT</p>		<p>अविरल - पाठ 3 सच्चाई पाठ 6 परिलोक की सैर व्याकरण - संज्ञा ,वाक्यांश के लिए शब्द (1 से 6 तक),विलोम शब्द (अगला से उपस्थित तक), अपठित गद्यांश ,अनुच्छेद लेखन</p>
<p>OCT</p>	<p>Come And Join The Celebrations (Festivals And Events)</p>	<p>अविरल- पाठ 7 देश प्रेम व्याकरण- सर्वनाम,वचन (लड़का से थाली तक) पुनःअभ्यास, अनुच्छेद लेखन</p>
<p>NOV DEC</p>	<p>We The World Like This</p>	<p>अविरल - पाठ 15 उपहार व्याकरण -लिंग (माली से युवक तक),अपठित गद्यांश, संवाद लेखन,विलोम शब्द (जय से सुबह तक),सर्वनाम (पुनरावृत्ति),अनुच्छेद लेखन</p>
<p>3RD ROUND OF ASSESSMENT</p>		<p>अविरल- पाठ 7 देश प्रेम पाठ 15 उपहार व्याकरण- सर्वनाम,वचन (लड़का से थाली तक), लिंग (माली से युवक तक), अपठित गद्यांश, अनुच्छेद लेखन</p>
<p>JAN</p>	<p>Space (Environment, Solar System, Earth)</p>	<p>अविरल -पाठ 1 हम हैं सूरज चाँद सितारे व्याकरण- विलोम शब्द (जय से सुबह तक), वाक्यांश के लिए शब्द (7 से 12 तक),संवाद लेखन</p>
<p>FEB MARCH</p>	<p>Words In The Air</p>	<p>अविरल -पाठ 9 फलों का दरवार</p>

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2ND Round of assessment		L-9 Delhi L-10 Mumbai Map Work
October	Come And Join The Celebrations (Festivals And Events)	L-17 Festivals We Celebrate
November/December	We See The World Like This	L-1 The Earth Our Home L-2 How The Earth Looks Map work
3rd Round of assessment		L-11 Kolkata & Map Work L-17 Festivals Of Celebrate
January	Space (Environment, Solar System, Earth)	L-3 The Earth's Neighbours
February & March	Words in the air. Its not all Greek to me ! (Communication, transport And media)	L-21 How We Communicate L-20 How We Travel
4th Round of assessment		L-1 The Earth Our Home L-2 How The Earth Looks L- 3 The Earth's Neighbours Map Work <i>Relevant Pages Of The Worksheet Will Be Done For All The Lessons</i>

SUBJECT –SCIENCE

MONTH	THEMATIC CONTENT	CONTENTS
April/May	My world(Self ,Family, Friends)	L-4 Living and Non Living L-8 Man the living machine

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July * 1st round of assessment	Do You Live Around Here ? That's Life ! (Plants,Animals, Habitat)	L-5 Animals and plants L-6 Parts of a plant L-4 Living and Non Living L-8 Man the living machine
August	They Make A Difference (Climate,Air,Water,Weather)	L-6 Parts of a plant (cont...) L-13 Water and weather
September 2ND Round of assessment	A World Of Machines And Cracking Ideas. (Science and Technology)	L-13 Water and weather (contd..) L-9 Measurement (Formative Assessment) L-6 Parts of a plant L-13 water and Weather
October	Come And Join The Celebrations (Festivals and events)	L-10 Light ,Sound and Force
November/December 3rd Round of assessment	We See The World Like This (School, classroom, house Imagination)	L-7 Birds food and more L-7 Birds food & more L-10 Light Sound and Force
January	Space	L-11 Our Earth and it's neighbours
February & March 4th Round of assessment	Words in the air. Its not all greek to me! (Communication, transport)	L-12 Going into space L-2 Safety and home L-11 Our Earth and it's neighbours L-12 Going into space <i>* Relevant pages of the worksheet will be done for all the lessons</i>

CLASS III

<u>Class III Mathematics Syllabus 2011-12(as per 2010 edition)</u>		
1.	April & May	Chapter 1-Number and Numerations Relevant pages of the worksheet
2	July	Chapter 3- Addition Relevant pages of the worksheet
		<u>*I Round of Assessment</u> Chapter 1 - Numbers and Numeration Chapter 3 - Addition Relevant pages of the worksheet
3.	August	Chapter 4-Subtraction (excluding Pgs 52 to 54) Relevant pages of the worksheet
4.	September	Chapter 9-Measurement (excluding Pgs 137-139,151-154,164-166) Chapter 11-Time (excluding conversion) Relevant pages of the worksheet
		<u>II Round of Assessment</u> Chapter 4-Subtraction (excluding Pgs 52-54) Chapter 9 - Measurement (excluding Pgs 137-139,151-154,164-166) Chapter 11 -Time (excluding conversion) Relevant pages of the worksheet

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5.	October	Chapter 10-Money (excluding Pgs175-179) Relevant pages of the worksheet
6.	November & December	Chapter 5 Multiplication Relevant pages of the worksheet
		<u>III Round of Assessment</u> Chapter 5 -Multiplication Chapter 10 - Money(excluding Pgs175-179) Relevant pages of the worksheet
7.	January	Chapter 6-Division Chapter 8-Geometrical shapes (excluding circles) Relevant pages of the worksheet
8.	February & March	Chapter 6-Division (contd) Chapter 7-Fractions (excluding Pg 101)
		<u>IV Round of Assessment</u> Chapter 6- Division Chapter 7-Fractions (excluding Pg 101) Chapter 8-Geometrical shapes (excluding circles) Relevant pages of the worksheet

Annexure III-Assessment Date Sheet

SUBJECT	I ROUND	II ROUND	III ROUND	IV ROUND
ENGLISH	11th July	6th September	5th December	20th February
HINDI	18th July	12th September	12th December	27th February
MATHS	25th July	19th September	15th December	5th March
G .SCIENCE	1st August	26th September	19th December	12th March
SOCIAL STUDIES	8th August	29th September	26th December	19th March