#### OVERVIEW OF INTEGRATED CURRICULUM THEMES GRADES 1 TO 3

## Figure 1. Themes and subthemes by grade and term

		GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3	
THEME	ALL ABOUT ME AND MY ENVIRONMENT		TERM		
SUB-THEME	м	Y S	E L	F	
UNIT 1	WHO AM	?	MY BODY (II)	MY BODY (III)	
UNIT 2	MY BODY	(1)	CARE & SAFETY OF SELF	SATISFYING OTHER NEEDS	1
SUB-THEME	MY HOME		MY FAMILY	MY COMMUNITY, THE	
				NATION AND THE WIDER	
				WORLD	
UNIT 1	MY FAMI	LY	LIVING TOGETHER AS A	PROVIDERS OF GOODS AND	2
			FAMILY	SERVICES	
UNIT 2	THINGS II HOME	N THE	SATISFYING OUR NEEDS	RELATING TO OTHERS	
				OUTSIDE OF JAMAICA	
UNIT 3				ASPECTS OF JAMAICAN	

			CULTURE	
SUB-THEME	MY SCHOOL		MY PHYSICAL	
			ENVIRONMENT	
UNIT 1	MYSELF AT SCHOOL	THIS IS MY COMMUNITY	LIVING AND NON-LIVING	3
			THINGS IN MY	
			ENVIRONMENT	
		PLACES OF INTERST IN MY		
UNIT 2	TOGETHER AT SCHOOL	COMMUNITY	CARING FOR MY	
		PLANTS AND ANIMALS IN MY	ENVIRONMENT	
UNIT 3		COMMUNITY		

## Figure 2. Data Reduction by theme for Assessment Purposes per grade

Grades	Theme Clusters	Critical Content knowledge matrix!!!!
1	Cluster 1.	
	Who am I?	
	My body I	
	Cluster 2	
	My family	
	Things in the home	
	Cluster 3	
	Myself at school	
	Together at school	
2	Cluster 1	
	My body II	
	Care and safety of self	
	Cluster 2	
	Living together as a family	
	Satisfying our needs	
	Cluster 3	
	This is my community	
	Places of interest in my community	
	Plants and animals in my community	

Grades 1-3

3	Cluster 1 My Body III Satisfying other needs Providers of Goods and Services Cluster 2 Relating to others outside of Jamaica Aspects of the Jamaican Culture Cluster 3 Living and non-living things in my environment Caring for my environment	

The follow maps gives you an overview of the possible knowledge, skills and attitudes embedded in each theme with its respective Focus Questions.

xplore ideas, investigate and use drawing materials and techniques to communicate their ideas about themselves in a selfportrait. Say what they think and feel about their own and others'

## Music Perform jingles, nursery rhymes and simple songs within a group. Use body percussion effectively to accompany singing

#### Science

Learn how to work safely and to understand the importance of safety. Describing themselves and identifying and exploring changes that occur at different stages of their growth

Who Am I? FOCUS QUESTIONS & How do you know me?

To which group do I belong?



Exploring familiar themes and characters through improvisation and role play

Ating oneself as a human being created on a special day; praising God and others; awareness of a sense of belonging Education Celebrating oneself as a human being created on a special day; praising God and others; awareness of a sense of belonging

Social Studies Identify and understand self. Develop a sense of belonging and value their worth as part of a group.



Begin to recognise the benefits of exercise movement patterns and moving safely in space. Linking and sequencing different movements



ivics Identifying self and identity through affirming own personal, behavioural and familiar facts. Identifying their lineage and what this means

### Social Studies Appreciate self. Protect and care of self, others and the environment. Learning how safety rules and procedures need to be applied in relation taking care of themselves Recognizing different stages of growth and development

#### Drama

Use simulation, still pictures, living pictures, teacher in role, mime, small group, playmaking etc. to enhance the teaching and learning process.

Manage motor skills and communicate through movement. Practise ball skills in catching and throwing isual arts Use basic shapes and colours to make pictures; create moods and depict feelings. Explore the use of shapes, both two-dimensional and threedimensional to create art based on parts of the body.



Use technology to carry out purposeful inquiry or research, to test existing knowledge, discover new information and create new understanding. Use technology to communicate ideas and information. Demonstrate a basic understanding of self and identity through an exploration of own physical attributes and talents.

Identify external parts of the body. Recognise the importance of nutrition and hygiene in achieving a healthy lifestyle. Identifying the sense organs and their uses.

# Religious Education

Show thankfulness to God for creating their bodies and what they can do; ways in which the Bible demonstrates care for the body.

Perform jingles, nursery rhymes and simple songs within a group. Use classroom instruments to accompany singing for beat and rhythm. Respond to elementary ensemble cues

### Cluster 1

Critical Objectives	Key Skills
Who am I?	Identify first and
FQ 1	last names
<ul> <li>Ask and respond appropriately to questions about self</li> </ul>	
Describe self, others, objects and situations using appropriate words	Trace, copy, write
<ul> <li>Make general statements about information collected about self and others</li> </ul>	Names
Recognize sight words appropriate to grade	Respond to
<ul> <li>Use basic word recognition strategies to decode words related to self and others</li> </ul>	Questions
<ul> <li>Distinguish initial and final sounds in spoken words related to aspects of the self</li> </ul>	Discuss importance
Manipulate phonemes in words	of names
Link sounds to letters to decode words	
<ul> <li>Use context clues to determine character traits about self</li> </ul>	Compose simple
<ul> <li>Use capital and common letters appropriately as they write simple sentences about themselves and others</li> </ul>	Sentences
<ul> <li>Respond to and use parts of the verb 'to be' to make sentences about self and others</li> </ul>	Read sentences
Recognise the importance of being called by a name	
<ul> <li>Identify self as boy/girl, male/female</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Demonstrate acceptable social behaviours in varying settings</li> </ul>	Form lines
<ul> <li>Make general statements and draw conclusions based on information</li> </ul>	
collected for line plot	Plot data
<ul> <li>Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts of 'first' and 'last'</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Count to tell how many objects are in a set or group</li> </ul>	Compare numbers
Associate month with events such as birthdays	Identify birth
Read the calendar to identify birthday and birth month	months on calendar

<ul> <li>Identify taller/shorter of two students when placed side to side</li> <li>Form groups/sets based on birth month etc</li> <li>Listen and relate religious stories about the birth of children in the Christian Bible and other sacred texts.</li> <li>FQ 2</li> <li>Identify and create rhyming words</li> <li>Read with fluency, grade appropriate texts</li> <li>Express their understanding of a story or poem relating to groups in any form of the creative arts</li> <li>Identify groups to which they belong</li> <li>Compare and contrast groups Use the word set when referring to a group</li> <li>Group real and representative objects in many ways</li> <li>Determine, by matching members, a set with the same, fewer or more members than another</li> <li>Recognize the numerals 0 through 10 and associate them with the corresponding words.</li> <li>Display and analyze data using attributes</li> <li>Demonstrate respect for the views of others</li> </ul>	Discuss religious experiences
My Body FQ 1 Use line and space Use capital and common letters appropriately Use pronouns 'l', 'me', 'my' Use regular and irregular plural nouns Use full stops and commas appropriately Recognize sight words related to parts of the body Read text appropriate to grade	Compare externalPartsRead sight wordsUse singular and plural formsDiscuss use of headRead sight words Measure distances

٠	Talk about self and identity	Estimate
٠	Recognise the external parts of the body and their parts	Measurements
٠	Use the senses to explore the similarities and differences between materials	
•	Explain the use of some special parts of the body: hands, feet, eyes, mouth, nose and ears, feet	Follow instructions
•	Identify and name external parts of the body	Measure
•	Relate the uses of selected parts of the body	
•	Name the senses, associating them with specific parts of the body	Compare
•	Communicate information about self through drawing.	Measurements
•	Create a short prayer to the Creator, giving thanks for specific parts of the Body	Draw and label
•	Measure the lengths using strings, steps, hand span, strips of cardboard and other informal units of measurement	Write sentences
٠	Estimate and measure items relating to self, using non-standard and units of	Discuss use of upper
	measurements.	Limbs
•	Represent numerical information pictorially	
٠	Construct and interpret tables and pictographs using numbers, pictures and	Discuss use of lower
	Objects	Limbs
		Organize pictures
FQ 2		
•	Develop and ask questions related to the growth process and food providers	Compare pictures
٠	Retell stories relating to food providers	Discuss changes
٠	Respond to characters in poems about the growth process	
٠	Express their understanding of a story or poem relating to groups	Estimate and compare
	in any form of the creative arts	
•	Discuss changes that occur in their body over time	Measure heights
•	Explain why food is essential for healthy growth	
•	Estimate and measure self and others using non-standard units for measurement of height	Make predictions

•	Use non- standard units of measurement	Discuss purpose of food
•	Show and tell time on the clock (on the hour)	
•	Identify ways of giving thanks to the Deity for food	Associate numerals with
•	Discuss the provision of different foods for healthy grown	Groups
•	Identify individuals who provide for healthy growth	
•	Use the elements of art in creating drawings/models of foods	Develop and maintain
	5 5,	Checklist
FQ 3		
•	Use parts of the verb 'to be', 'has' 'have'	Draw conclusions
•	Use the pronouns 'l', 'me', 'my' 'you'	
•	Describe ways in which we take care of our bodies	Discuss roles of food
•	Identify daily personal habits needed to take care of the body.	providers
•	Write the numerals 11 through 20 and associate them with the	
	corresponding words.	Decode words
•	Identify details on a graph or chart	
•	Make general statements and draw conclusions based on	Discuss time sequence
	information collected.	
•		Use clocks
		Communicate ideas
		Tally about says of
		Talk about care of
		body
		Compose sentences

Physical Education Benefits of exercise, movement patterns, loco motor and non-loco motor skills, sport symbols, moving safely in space, family games.



Role play, tableaux, thought tracking, role on the wall, small group playmaking, hot seating (expand and relate to topic)

**Religious Education** 

Develop skills which help to demonstrate and appreciate their knowledge of religious ideas, beliefs and practices. Families in the Bible

Social Studies Acknowledge themselves as members of a household and in extension a part of a

family.

**divics** Begin to understand family roots and recognise behaviours in own family

#### **MY FAMILY**

#### FOCUS QUESTIONS

- What is a family and who are my family members?
- How do family members care for each other?
- What are the activities in which I take part with my family?





Music Sing songs about family Use available resources to make musical instruments



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Grades 1-3



Using rhythm, pitch and sound to

### THINGS IN THE HOME

- What are the things in my home and what are they used for?
- How do I care the things in my home and use them safely?



## **Religious Education**

Associating natural things with their Creator; discussing examples presented in the Bible where we are encouraged to do things right(building on the rock/solid *ground*)

# **ICT**

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isual arts Exploring the relationship between the principles and elements of art and how contextual drawing can be organized using the principles and elements. Make models, symbols and pictures of things found in the home

## hysical Education

Activities will focus on changes in the body when we exercise; movement patterns, locomotor and non locomotor skills, moving safely in space, caring for equipment; movement in respond to sound (e.g. loud/soft). Developing ball skills of catching and throwing; team tactics when playing games

#### Cluster 2

Critical Objectives	Key Skills
My Family	Draw conclusions
FQ 1	
Formulate simple definition of a 'family'.	Communicate ideas
<ul> <li>Identify general characteristics of a family.</li> </ul>	Explain drawings
<ul> <li>Construct a family tree depicting three generations.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Demonstrate an appreciation and acceptance of the uniqueness of family</li> </ul>	Write
Structures	
<ul> <li>Identify and name own parent(s), grandparents and great grand-parents</li> </ul>	Identify qualities
<ul> <li>Outline the relationships between generations</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Use ordinal numbers to talk about positions in families</li> </ul>	Formulate questions
<ul> <li>Represent their family size as sets and on a line plot</li> </ul>	Present ideas
<ul> <li>Associate members of sets with numerals</li> </ul>	Present lueas
Associate numerals with number names	Identify family members
Compare sets	
Construct simple mathematical sentences	Construct family tree
• Display the ability to use capital and common letters when writing the names of	
family members	Use adjectives
Draw conclusions from pictures and written material	
Discuss sacred writings about the family	Analyze graph
Recognize that the human family is considered to be the family of God	
Respond to creation stories about the origin of the family structure	Represent sets
Identify resource and technology used by family members to enhance life and make	
tasks easier	Associate sets with numerals/words
FQ 2	
<ul> <li>Write simple sentences to describe how family members care for each other</li> </ul>	Compare sets
<ul> <li>Use family pictures to develop stories about caring for each other</li> </ul>	Write mathematical sentences
<ul> <li>Write freely in response to stimulus about how family members care for each other</li> </ul>	Draw conclusions
Use full stop and question mark	Identify position

•	Recognise that spoken language involves interaction and courtesy.	
•	Respond to questions characters or situations in print about caring	Write ordinals
	for each other	
٠	Respond to and use the present continuous tense.	Identify ideas
•	Show an understanding of 'fair share'/equal share	
•	Identify ways in which family members depend on each other	Recall ideas
•	Discuss the rights and responsibilities of different members of a	
	family	Infer details
•	Explain why the family has rules	Illustrate roles
•	Discuss some of the rules in their family	
•	Discuss how family members care for the physically challenged or	
	older members of the family	
•	Identify responsible actions to take if their human rights are violated	
•	Become aware of their personal values and those of family members	Identify family time
•	Demonstrate an awareness of the relationship between personal and	
	family stewardship	Read clock
FQ 3		Respond to questions
•	Sequence ideas logically as they write about their family experiences Use personal	
	pronouns to communicate ideas about family activities	Estimate time
•	Tell the time (read the clock) on the hour and half hour	
•	Identify special family occasions on the calendar	Read calendar
•	Use estimation in comparing time spent on various family activities	
	(hour, half hour)	Identify days of week
•	Use a calendar in class and refer to it at appropriate times.	
•	Identify key activities in which families participate.	Identify months of year
•	Demonstrate how to work cooperatively as a family	
•	Discuss special occasions celebrated by families	Identify national celebrations
-	Express feelings about their participation in family activities	
•	Compare major activities of different families	Count symbols
•	Demonstrate family values regarding respect for national symbols and activities	
	Identify religious activities in which families are involved	Analyse symbols Associate symbols with names
		ASSOCIATE SYMPONS WITH HALLES

<ul> <li>Show appreciation for the religious values that are embedded within some family activities</li> </ul>	Draw and colour Label pictures
Things in the home	Investigate relationships
FQ 1	
<ul> <li>Create 2D and 3Dmodels of things in the home</li> <li>Classify things within the home</li> <li>Relate how tools/machines within the home help to make life easier.</li> <li>Demonstrate an appreciation for items in their home which have religious significance.</li> <li>Identify shapes found on objects in the home.</li> <li>Relate things in the home to the areas in which they are usually found.</li> <li>Identify the uses of things in the home</li> <li>Group things in the home in various categories</li> <li>Compare the things found in the in home and the wider community: then and now.</li> </ul>	identify and classify shapes, complete patterns
<ul> <li>FQ 2</li> <li>Describe ways they can take care of things in their homes.</li> <li>Observe and discuss the symbols used on products within the home to help keep them safe.</li> <li>Identify hazards and risks to their safety at home.</li> <li>Identify how things in the home are protected and cared for by authority figures.</li> <li>Explain how they use safety rules and information to protect themselves and others in the home.</li> <li>Discuss awareness of and appreciation for safety rules and guidelines for the home.</li> <li>Explain the importance of rules and regulations within the home.</li> <li>Apply religious principles and teachings as they relate to things in the home.</li> <li>Use past tense form</li> </ul>	

## Social Studies

Develop a sense of understanding in gaining new knowledge to know that they belong to a particular group. Recognizing that inter-relatedness is necessary for the functioning of groups and organizations.

## **MYSELF AT SCHOOL**

## FOCUS QUESTIONS

- How do I know my school?
- ✤ Who are the people at my school and what do they do?



Mysical Education Participate in exercise, perform movement patterns, use locomotor and non locomotor skills to enhance one's lifestyle. Moving safely in space; moving in response to sound using bodies to make shapes and care for equipment

sual arts Explore life at school through the use of themes, textures, lines and shapes. Explore how variety can be used to create visual appeal and interest.

## AAscience

Caring for the school, the environment and things within it. Identifying safe and unsafe areas in the school environment

## Use Speak easy, drama on paper, hot seating, teacher in role and other drama modes to enhance learning.

# Music

Explore group components of music such as singing together, playing ring games and creating simple sound pieces using available musical instruments and sound makers.



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## **Religious Education**

Use sacred and other stories which include rules by which groups are governed; how religious groups are organized by their *leaders; the value of worship in the school* 



Grades 1-3

Music Explore rhythmic patterns using basic musical instruments.

## Use small/large group presentations, improvisation, teacher in role, games etc. as tools to enhance the teaching and learning process.

Social Studies Develop an appreciation for the different kinds of activities done at school

## hysical Education

Activities that are underpinned by, movement patterns, moving safely in space, combining movement skills, movement in response to sound (e.g. fast/slow), Using bodies to make shapes including sports competition.

## **Religious Education**

Recognise that religious celebrations and the display of religious aspects of their school form an important part of school life.

> A Science Record and explain observations relating to activities in school. Using process skills to make observations and draw conclusions

## **TOGETHER AT SCHOOL**

#### **FOCUS QUESTION**

- What are some of the activities and events at my school?
- How do we live together at school?



isual arts Explore the use of tools to produce two-dimensional and threedimensional art in the form of symbols, costumes and picture- making.

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Use technology to carry out purposeful inquiry or research, to test existing knowledge, discover new information and create new understanding. Use technology to communicate ideas and information.



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Demonstrate personal responsibility in groups, while working effectively in and as groups. Apply the principles of justice, respect and fairness. Identify and respond appropriately to National symbols

#### Cluster 3

Critical Objectives	Key skills
Myself at School	Observe, collect, record and report
FQ 1	
<ul> <li>Understand the term 'environment' and what is meant by this in relation to their school</li> </ul>	Discuss facts
<ul> <li>Identify the important features of their school and explain what makes them important</li> </ul>	Write sentences
<ul> <li>Begin to learn about the history of their school and the location of their school</li> </ul>	Read sentences
Recognize how rules and regulations are effectively used in their school	
<ul> <li>Preserve the environment and appreciate the ways in which they need to care for it.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Tell ways in which they can take care of the school and the things in it.</li> <li>Develop basic locational skills in their environment (such as home and school).</li> </ul>	Estimate distances
<ul> <li>Use process skills to draw conclusions and solve problems – observe,</li> </ul>	Observe details
<ul> <li>predict, infer, measure, classify and communicate.</li> <li>Identify and group objects and materials found in the school using simple characteristics</li> </ul>	Identify shapes, straight/curved lines Compare shapes
<ul> <li>Observe, compare, classify geometric shapes taken from the environment.</li> <li>Create/play games using different shapes.</li> </ul>	Create objects
<ul> <li>Conduct simple surveys to determine safe/unsafe areas around them.</li> <li>Sort, group and classify collected data. Show by their behaviour that they value rules and regulations.</li> <li>Recognize positive and moral values contained in sacred and other stories.</li> </ul>	Record safe and unsafe areas Communicate ideas
<ul> <li>Locate and perceive the direction and distance of sounds.</li> <li>Identify the sources and types of various sounds in the environment.</li> <li>Recognize and respond to differences/similarities in sounds (timbre, pitch, duration, dynamics, etc.).</li> </ul>	Categorise sounds Create pictograph

<ul> <li>Identify groups to which they belong at school and discuss the responsibilities of members of each group.</li> <li>Explain why groups have rules.</li> <li>Understand that there are different individuals and groups in one environ who work together for one common purpose</li> <li>Appreciate that each person is unique and has skills and talents</li> <li>Understand how individual roles support the functioning of the school</li> <li>Sort, group and classify collected data.</li> <li>Recognize people in sacred and other stories, who have contributed to positive and moral values.</li> <li>Identify individuals who have helped us to develop moral values</li> <li>Describe themselves, others, objects and situations using appropriate words.</li> </ul>	Identify groups Construct sentences Sequence information List clubs Present information Discuss values
<ul> <li>Repeat short rhythmic and melodic patterns to freely explore ways in which sounds can be made with voice, body and classroom instruments.</li> <li>Recognize that spoken language involves interaction and courtesy.</li> <li>Give praise and acknowledge the contributions of others.</li> <li>Write and read information about the history of their school.</li> </ul>	

<ul> <li>Identify activities and events that take place in their school.</li> </ul>	Read story
<ul> <li>Differentiate between safe and unsafe areas in school.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Show respect for various customs and practices present in their school.</li> </ul>	Listen to story
<ul> <li>Identify the months of the year and the days of the week with a focus on the</li> </ul>	
sequential nature of time.	Discuss story
<ul> <li>Recognise that special garments, foods, symbols and rituals are associated with</li> </ul>	
certain religious celebrations/ceremonies.	Group shapes
<ul> <li>Utilize percussion instruments to explore rhythm and patterns.</li> </ul>	View and discuss
• Explore elements and principles of art such as colour, shape, line, texture and	
patterns as they are applied in the creative expressions in our culture.	
Describe events and situations, using appropriate words.	
Recognize that spoken language involves interaction and courtesy.	
• Write freely in response to stimuli (story, picture, song, poem, etc.).	
FQ2	
<ul> <li>Identify individuals who help to educate students</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Understand the importance to nation building by showing appreciation of the work of</li> </ul>	
these individuals.	
• Tell ways in which they can contribute to the success of teams/groups.	
• Use process skills to draw conclusions and solve problems- observe, predict, infer,	
measure, classify and communicate.	
<ul> <li>Understand how to group objects and classify according to categories.</li> </ul>	
•	