

Year 4 Curriculum Overview 2021/2022

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Value	Empathy	Self-discipline	Respect	Integrity	Courage	Gratitude	
Main Theme	Across America!	Exciting Egypt	World of Water	Roman Revolution	Shakes and Rattles	Crime and Punishment	
Educational Visits							
English Core Text	The Boy The Mole The Fox And The Horse (whole school text (2 weeks) La Mariposa - Francisco Jiménez	The Egyptian Cinderella -Shirley Climo & Ruth Heller	The Boy Who Met a Whale - Nizrana Farook	Queen of Darkness: Boudica's army will rise – Tony Bradman	Escape from Pompeii	Dick Turpin: Legends and Lies – Terry Deary	
Core Text Themes to explore	Immigration Cultural identity	Stories from other cultures Judgements Poverty	Sustainable environments Friendships	Overcoming Adversity,	Environments	The rule of Law	
English Writing	End of Unit Writing Outcome: Personal recount Writing Opportunities: Researching and reporting about a current issue Descriptive writing of characters	End of Unit Writing Outcome: Poetry Writing Opportunities: Setting descriptions Word choices for effect Recount writing	End of Unit Writing Outcome: Sequel Writing Opportunities: Instructions Writing in role Story mapping Synopsis	End of Unit Writing Outcome: Adventure narrative Writing Opportunities: Character description Writing in role Fact finding	End of Unit Writing Outcome: Persuasive writing Writing Opportunities: Instructions Discussions Descriptive writing	End of Unit Writing Outcome: Balanced Argument Writing Opportunities: Writing to report – newspapers / interviews	
SPaG	See SPaG Progression Planning						



Maths (White Rose)	Number: Place Value Number: Addition and Subtraction	Measurement: Length and Perimeter Number: Multiplication and Division	Number: Multiplication and Division Measurement: Area	Number: Fractions Number: Decimals	Number: Decimals Measurement: Money Measurement: Time	Statistics Geometry : Properties of Shape Geometry : Position and Direction
Science	Science: Living Things This topic teaches the children to recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. They explore and use keys to identify and name a variety of living things. Finally, they look at how changes to habitats can pose dangers to living things. Whilst most of the work for this topic can be carried out in spring and summer, it is important that children visit the local environment throughout the school year so that they continue to develop their understanding of seasonal changes and how these impact on living things.	Looking at states: States of matter Children will learn about states of matter. They will compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. They will observe that some materials change state when heated or cooled, and they will identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle.	The Big Build: Cross curricular and practical Science In this topic, children learn about building towers and bridges, starting with constructing tall towers, then exploring bridges, next they look at animals as builders and finally engage in researching famous engineers and architects and the structures they built. Children will already know many things about the materials they will encounter, how different materials stretch and their uses. They will use and develop working scientifically skills and understanding though	Teeth and eating: Humans and other animals Children learn about digestion and different types of teeth, before moving on to explore deadly predators and their prey, in their exploration of food chains. They work scientifically throughout the topic, using enquiry, practical experiments and hands-on research to answer questions and investigate how we eat, why we eat and what we eat.	What's that Sound? Children will already know many things about sound, even without any formal teaching of it. They will encounter how sounds are made on a variety of instruments and how they can be changed in volume, pitch and over distance. They will explore making sounds on a range of objects that aren't instruments, in order to investigate how sounds are created to make music.	Power it up: Electricity Children revisit some uses of electricity and the importance of safety before constructing simple circuits. Understanding how to change a circuit by changing its components makes up the third part of this topic, leading in a final application of knowledge and skills when the children design and make an alarm using their knowledge of circuits.



PRE			comparative and fair tests, measuring, repeat readings and drawing and reading bar and line graphs. See PRE	Overview		
History		The Ancient Egyptians: How much did the Ancient Egyptians achieve? The achievements of the earliest civilisations		Roman Britain: What happened when the Romans came to Britain? The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain		Crime and Punishment: How has Crime and Punishment changed over time? A study of a theme in British history that extends knowledge beyond 1066
Geography	The Americas: Can you come on a Great American Road Trip? Locate the world's countries using maps, including North and South America		Rivers and the Water Cycle: How does the water go round and round? Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including the water cycle		Earthquakes and Volcanoes: How does the Earth shake, rattle and roll? Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including volcanoes	



					Art	
rt & Design Technology	D&T Pyramids (Ancient Egypt) Design their own pyramid, think about how they can make it look authentic (add sand in to the paint), look at 3D shape nets and then build and evaluate.	Art Mixed Media – Gustav Klimt Collage using a variety of different media/materials. Allow children to make their own choices based on their experiences of different techniques. Overlaying of techniques on a variety of scales. Making own decisions and explaining reasons.	D&T Boats Design and build a boat with a power source. Evaluate it by looking at which power source is the most effective.	Art Printing using Natural Objects Monoprinting - Printing with found objects. Hard rollers and water based printing inks. Single print from inked board	Deforestation – Perspective painting Extend identification of colour shades using colour vocabulary e.g. emerald, cobalt, and crimson. Experiment with mixing ranges of shades of primary and secondary colours using tints and tones. Explore colour and contrast e.g. hot/cold, light/dark, advance/recede, black/white, transparent/opaque. Develop control in use of selected tools and techniques including brush technique e.g. detail, stippling, dabbing. Use paint with other media – pastel, ink, collage. Paint from imagination,	D&T Bread Children to try different types of bread and research how they are made. Design their own loaf of bread, make it and evaluate the taste.



					observation or influence of other artists.	
PE			See PE scheme taug	ht by outside agency		
Computing	We are software developers: Computer Science: Coding	We are makers: Computer Science: Coding	We are musicians: Information Technology: Media	We are bloggers: Digital Literacy: Online safety Sharing experiences	We are artists: Computer Science: Coding	We are meteorologists: Information Technology: Data
	Developing a simple educational game	Coding for micro:bit	Creating a piece of music in GarageBand	and opinions	Fusing geometry and art	Recording and presenting the weather
	Healthy Lifestyles	Keeping Safe:	Rights and Responsibilities	Environment To learn:	Feelings and Emotions	Healthy Relationships and
	To learn: about what makes a 'balanced lifestyle'	To learn: about the kinds of change that happen in life and the feelings associated with this	To learn: to discuss and debate issues concerning health and wellbeing	about their responsibilities, rights and duties (home, school and the	To learn: to recognise a wider range of feelings in others	health To Learn: about what makes a positive, healthy relationship, including
PSHE	about making choices in relation to health	about managing risk in	about the ways in which rules and laws	environment) about the sustainability	about responding to how others are feeling	friendships
	about what makes up a balanced diet	familiar situations and keeping safe	keep people safe	of the environment across the world	about the importance of keeping personal	how to maintain good friendships
	about opportunities they have to make their own choices about	that simple hygiene routines can prevent the spread of bacteria	and changing rules that everyone has	about being part of a community about who works with	boundaries and the right to privacy about the concept of	how actions can affect ourselves and others about the difference
	food	and viruses	human rights (and that children have their own	the local community	keeping something	between acceptable and unacceptable



about what influences	about feeling negative	set of human rights)	Money	confidential or secret	physical contact
their choices about	pressure and how to	about the UN	To learn:		have be used as diffe
food that images in the	manage this	declaration on the	about the role of	about when they	how to respond to
media do not	about the importance	Rights of the Child	money	should or should not	unacceptable physical
necessarily reflect	about the importance	what anti-social	wave of managing	agree to keeping a	contact
reality	of school rules for	behaviour is and how it	ways of managing	secret	a bout working
about what is meant by	health and safety		money (budgeting and	to recognize and	about working
about what is meant by a habit	shout how to got hold	can affect people	saving)	to recognise and	collaboratively toward
a Habit	about how to get help	how to get help or	about what is meant by	manage dares	shared goals
how habits can be hard	in an emergency	u 1	'interest' and 'loan'		about solving disputes
to change	about drugs that are	support	interest and loan		and conflict amongst
to change	common in everyday	about their	What it means to be		themselves and their
Growing and	life (medicines,	responsibilities, rights	`enterprising'		peers
Changing	caffeine, alcohol and	and duties (home,	enterprising		peers
To learn:	tobacco)	school and the			about the changes that
ro learn.	(obacco)	environment)			happen at puberty
to recognise their	about keeping safe in	chivit offitticite)			
achievements and set	the local environment	about resolving			about the importance
personal targets for the		differences – agreeing			of keeping personal
future	about keeping safe	and disagreeing			boundaries and the
	online	and along comp			right to privacy
about a wider range of	onnie	To appreciate			Valuing Difference
feelings, both good and	about people who help	difference and diversity			To learn:
not so good	them stay healthy and	(people living in the			how to listen and
5 5	safe	UK)			respond respectfully to
that people can		- 7			a wide range of people
experience conflicting		about the values and			5 1 1
feelings at the same		customs of people			about sharing their
time		around the world			points of view
about describing their		that information			about differences and
feelings to others		presented in the media			similarities between
		can be misleading			people, but understand
					everyone is equal
					about what is meant by
					`stereotypes'
					to recognise bullying



				how to respond and ask for help
Music		See Music scheme tau	ght by outside agency	