Year 4 Curriculum Overview 2023- 2024 and a Thirst for Knowledge"

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	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic						
Literacy Genre	How can we transform a tin forest? (POR 6 weeks) The Tin Forest. 6 weeks. Environmentalism. Narrative, poetry, diary entry, descriptive writing Developing a sense of awe and wonder. Appreciating beauty in nature How can we create images through poetry? (Active Learn 2 weeks). Figurative language, metaphors, similes, personification, free verse, haiku and performance poetry) Development of imagination and creativity	Did the Shang Dynasty really exist? Non-fiction 2 weeks Active Learn What's so spooky? Poetry (2 weeks Active Learn). Spooky podcasts and performances Development of imagination and creativity	How do you explain that? (2 weeks) Write an explanation for changing materials What is the problem with the plastic bag? One Plastic Bag (POR 4 weeks) Recyclingvalue of innovation, perseverance, community initiatives and creative problem solving. Empathy and understanding; respect. Making a difference; duty	Libba: The Magnificent Musical Life of Elizabeth Cotton by Laura Veirs, illustrated by Tatyana Fazlalizadeh (Chronicle) POR - 5 weeks biography Empathy and understanding; respect. Appreciating beauty in music What is the poetic form? (Active Learn 10 days) Kennings, raps, Development of imagination and creativity	What are the beauties and dangers of nature? Mouse Bird Snake Wolf (POR 3 weeks). Narrative. Issues and dilemmas Developing a sense of awe and wonder. Enjoying the miracles of everyday life Fiction- Can a Robot be wild? Biodiversity (POR) The Wild Robot. Biodiversity Taking time for what really matters. Developing a sense of awe and wonder. Making a difference	Continued Fiction- Can a Robot be wild? Biodiversity (PoR) The Wild Robot. Biodiversity How can we explore poetic language? Active Learn (2 weeks) Development of imagination
Punctuation, Vocabulary and Grammar	Adverbials of place and revising fronted adverbials Adverbials of time Determiners Introducing possessive pronouns Introducing pronouns	Revising capital letters Determiners Revising nouns Introducing direct speech standard and non-standard verbs Noun phrases	Comparative and superlative Main-clause sentences Using commas and fronted adverbials	Apostrophes to show possession Plural and possessive '-s' Word Detectives Week	Apostrophes to show possession 2 Nouns and pronouns Singular and plural agreement	Noun phrases Punctuating direct speech Standard and non-standard verbs

Numeracy	Review of column addition and subtraction Unit 1 Numbers to 10,000 Unit 2	Perimeter Unit 3 3, 6, and 9 times tables Unit 4	7 and 8 times table and patterns Unit 5 Understanding and manipulating multiplicative relationships Unit 6	Coordinates Unit 7 Measurement (Not on NCETM) Statistics (not NCETM)	Review of fractions Unit 8 Fractions greater than 1 Unit 9	Symmetry in 2D shapes Unit 10 Time Unit 11 Division with remainders Unit 12
Times Table Focus 3, 6, 9 and 7 And all	Recall multiples of 3, 4and 8 up to 12x in any order including missing number and division facts Fluently count in 6s up to 12x6	Introduces 6s in order up to 12 x 6 relate to multiples of 3 Introduces 9s in order up to 12 x 6 relate to multiples of 3 and 6	Recall multiples of 3, 6 and 9 up to 12x in any order including missing number and division facts Fluently count in 7s up to 12x	Recall multiples of 7 up to 12x in any order including missing number and division facts Fluently count in 11s up to 12x Recall of 12x facts (learned in previous tables)	Recall multiples of all times tables up to 12x 12 in any order including missing number and division facts (revision for multiplication check)	Multiplication Check Times table interventions Recap of all facts up to 12×12
Science	 What's that animal? Describe simple functions of the digestive system in humans. Identify different teeth in humans and name their functions. know how to keep teeth healthy Identify and compare teeth of carnivores, 	What do we know about sound? • Know that sound is vibrations. • Sound travels through medium to the ear. • Sounds get fainter with distance. • Explore factors that affect the pitch of a sound.	How can we be states of matter scientists? • Group substances according to their state. • Substances can change state. • Describe the water cycle. (GG14 Advocates for Change)	British Science Week	What can we learn from electrical circuits? • Identify components in a series circuit. • Investigate conductors, insulators and switch. (GG7 Advocates for Change)	How can we classify living things? Living things can be grouped. Use classification key. Explore a habitat to name animals and plants. Recognise habitats can change Impact of change. Help our habitat. A positive impact.

herbivores and omnivores. • Construct and interpret a variety of food chains • Identify animal habitats in the locality					(GG13 and 15 Advocates for Change) Appreciating beauty in nature
How can we incorporate variables into our coding? To use selection in coding with the 'if/else' command. To understand and use variables in 2Code. To use flowcharts for design of algorithms including selection. To use the 'repeat until' with variables to determine the repeat. To learn about and use computational thinking terms decomposition and abstraction. (Unit 4.1 Coding)	How many different ways can we use spreadsheets? • Formatting cells as currency, percentage, decimal to different decimal places or fraction. • Using the formula wizard to calculate averages. • Combining tools to make spreadsheet activities such as timed times tables tests. • Using a spreadsheet to model a real-life situation.	How can we use ICT in the wider world? • To explore how font size and style can affect the impact of a text. • To use a simulated scenario to produce a news report. • To use a simulated scenario to write for a community campaign. (Unit 4.4 Writing for different audiences)	 What is Logo? To learn the structure of the coding language of Logo. To input simple instructions in Logo. Using 2Logo to create letter shapes. To use the Repeat function in Logo to create shapes. To use and build procedures in Logo. (Unit 4.5 Logo) 	Can we create simple and more complex animations using 2Animate on Purple Mash? To discuss what makes a good animated film or cartoon. To learn how animations are created by hand. To find out how 2Animate can be created in a similar way using the computer. To learn about onion skinning in animation. To add backgrounds and sounds to animations.	How can we search effectively? • To locate information on the search results page. • To use search effectively to find out information. • To assess whether an information source is true and reliable. (Unit 4.7 Effective Searching) What is hardware? • To understand the different parts that make up a computer. • To recall the different parts that make up a computer.

Н	low can we protect	To add a formula	To be introduced	(Unit 4.7 Hardware
o	urselves online?	to a cell to	to 'stop motion'	Investigators)
•	To understand how	automatically	animation.	_
	children can	make a	 To share 	
	protect	calculation in	animation on the	
	themselves from	that cell.	class display	
	online identity	(Unit 4.3	board and by	
	theft.	Spreadsheets)	blogging.	
			(Unit 4.6 Animation)	
	information put			
	online leaves a			
	digital footprint or			
	trail and that this			
	can aid identity			
	theft.			
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	of installing			
	software including			
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	work of others			
	and presenting it as their own is			
	called 'plagiarism' and to consider			
	the consequences			
	of plagiarism.			
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	appropriate			
	behaviour when			
	participating or			
	contributing to			
	collaborative			

	online projects for learning. To identify the positive and negative influences of technology on health and the environment. To understand the importance of balancing game and screen time with other parts of their lives. (Unit 4.2 Online Safety)					
RE Encountering/e xperiencing God (having a sense of what lies beyond the material/physic al)Ability to ask and discuss the 'Big Questions' (eg about life, death, suffering, nature of God)Opportuni ties for prayer, connecting with God.Making sense of the world Exploration of personal faith	L2.3 What is the 'Trinity' and why is it important for Christians? (UC- God/Incarnation)	L2.7 What do Hindus believe God is like? (Brahma/atman)	L2.8 What does it mean to be Hindu in Britain today? (Dharma) Vine Lesson-Why do many Hindus believe that kindness to animals is important and how is this put into practice?	L2.5 Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'? (UC- Salvation)	L2.6 For Christians, when Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost? (UC-Kingdom of God)	L2.11 How and why do people mark the significant events of life?
History	What impact did the Vikings have on the North East?		Why were the Norman castles certainly not bouncy?		How have children's lives changed over time?	

• Identify	Looking at the	
different	three	 Make
reasons for	contenders for	observations
migration to	the throne in	and deductions
Britain.	1066, and the	from sources.
 Sequence events 	battles that	Suggest how
according to	were fought	children's lives
their	between these	have changed.
significance	men before	Explain why
Explain where	William, Duke	children
the Vikings came	of Normandy,	needed to
from and why	was crowned	work.
they came to	King of	 Identify the
Britain.	England.	kinds of jobs
 Make inferences 	 Llearn why 	Tudor and
from sources.	castles were	Victorian
Explain how	built, and how	children had,
sources can be	to become a	making
biassed.	Norman knight.	observations
Describe parts	 Learn about 	and inferences
of a longboat.	how England	about them.
 Design and 	changed under	Identify how
create a	William the	Lord
longboat.	Conqueror's	Shaftesbury
Describe what	rule with the	changed the
the Vikings	introduction of	lives of
traded.	the Feudal	children and
 Identify Viking 	System.	evaluate the
trading routes.	Find out about	impact of his
Explain whether	the compilation	work.
the Vikings were	of the	Use sources to
traders or	Domesday	identify leisure
raiders and	book.	activities and
provide		compare them
supporting		over time.
evidence.		 Identify
 Identify 		diseases from
important events		the past and
in the		discuss how
Anglo-Saxon and		effective the

	Viking struggle for Britain. Suggest the cause and consequences of events. Make observations and deductions				treatments were.	
Geography	about artefacts.	Are all settlements the same?		What would make a great American road trip? Map skills to locate the main cities in North America. Which continent is the USA in? Enquiry and Investigation - Most significant landmarks and Diversity of landscapes Can you name the 50 states and their characteristics Developing a sense of awe and wonder		Where does our food come from?
MFL	Phonetics lesson 1 & 2 (C) Ice cream(E)	Vegetables (E)	I can (I)	Presenting myself (I)	Classroom (I)	What is the weather (I)

PSHCE with Relationships and Sex **Empathy and** understanding; respect To love and be loved (loving your neighbour) Making a difference; duty 0

Negotiating rules.
How can we solve
friendship
difficulties?

KAPOW Primary – Lesson 1: Wonderful Me

- Qualities
- Values
- Issues
- Manage
- Respect
- Personal boundaries

Science - dangers to living things

- Environment
- Changes
- Dangers

NATIONAL RECYCLE
WEEK 19th-25th
September
Macmillan coffee
morning 30th
September
WORLD MENTAL
HEALTH DAYMonday
10th October
Global Handwashing
Day 15th October

What do we know about identity and diversity?

KAPOW Primary – Lesson 3: Meaning and Purpose

• Similarities and differences

- Society
- Value and respect
- Judgements
- Dangers
- Perspectives

CHILDREN IN NEED Nov 18th November

Giving,
 Charity Help

Charity, Help, support

FRIENDSHIP WEEK

14th -18th November

ROAD SAFETY

WEEK 14th-20th

November

What are our rights and responsibilities within our families and the wider society?

KAPOW Primary – Lesson 4: Resilience

- Diversity
- Community
- Value and respect

• Benefits

GG 8 - Decent work and economic growth

Children's Mental Health Week 6th-12th Feb

SAFER INTERNET DAY (All fun and games?) 8th Feb What sort of relationships can we experience in our everyday lives?

KAPOW Primary – Lesson 2: People Around Me

- Marriage
- Civil partnership
- Legal
- Commitment
- Lifelong love and care

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 20th-Feb-5th March)

 Spending decisions, Global neighbours, Help and support What are the influences on our health and wellbeing?

KAPOW Primary – Lesson 5: Healthy body, healthy brain

- Routines
- Dental care
- Sleep
- Exercise
- Healthy diet

Science unit -Biodiversity - human impact on the environment

National Sunscreen Day May 27th How do our bodies change as we enter puberty?

KAPOW Primary – Lesson 6: Relaxation

- Conflicting emotions
- Feelings
- Transitions
- Loss
- Separation

Child Safety Week week beginning 3rd June

HEALTHY EATING WEEK - 12th-16th June

Music	Poetry- (Performing)	Sounds- (Exploring sounds)	Building- (Beat)	Ancient Worlds- (Structure)	Communication- (Composing)	In the Past- (Notation)

• Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express Development of imagination and creativity Making a difference; duty Appreciating beauty in art, music, nature	Develop performances of contrasting poems. Use voices to speak expressively and rhythmically. Discover ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link- English) Environment- (Composing) Seasons and the environment provide the stimuli for compositions. Children make descriptive accompaniments and discover how the environment has inspired composers throughout history. (Cross curricular link- Science)	Explore the way sounds are produced and classified. Use voices to make beatbox sounds, learn to sing four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link- Science) Recycling- (Structure) Create own instruments from junk and use them to improvise, compose and play junk jazz music in a variety of different musical structures. (Cross curricular link- Art and Design) Christmas Performance	Building themed songs allow children to explore different music textures. Children use layers and rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments. (Cross curricular link- PSHE) Around the World-(Pitch) Explore pentatonic melodies and syncopated rhythms. Learn that the fundamental dimensions of music are the same all over the world. (Cross curricular link- Geography)	Explore 20th Century minimalist music inspired by the story of Akhenaten and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit. (Cross curricular link- History) Singing Spanish-(Pitch) Sample sights and sounds of the Spanish-speaking world as children learn greetings, count to twelve and play singing games. Explore part-singing and accompaniments in four contrasting songs. (Cross curricular link- Languages)	Create a news programme complete with theme music and school news headlines. Use songs and raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link- English) Time- (Beat) Music featuring clocks helps children to understand rhythm and syncopation in this unit. Learn to sing and play bell patterns, listen to an orchestral clock piece and create their own descriptive music. (Cross curricular link- Maths)	Use a variety of notations to build performances from different periods and styles. Learn a Renaissance dance, walk down the aisle to Wagners Bridal march and dance the mashed potato. (Cross curricular link-PE) Food and Drink- (Performing) Cook up a musical feast enjoying a varied diet of healthy beans, exotic Tudor banquets and DIY pizzas before celebrating in a song performance. (Cross curricular link-DT)
Art/DT Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express Development of imagination and creativity	Art: What can I learn from Viking art? Changes in Viking art over time	DT: How should your puppets tell their story? Rama and Sita	Art: Castles Drawing, collage, water colour, clay work	DT: What display will your class share?	Art: Who was Marianne North? Botanical art. Painting and printing.	DT: What is your favourite world dish?

difference; duty Appreciating beauty in art, music, nature	differences in artwork Drawing, colour, pattern Proportion and shading techniques Portraits Dodgeball	Fitness	Gymnastics	Cricket	Swimming	Athletics
	Fundamentals Y3/4	Tag Rugby	Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express Development of imagination and creativity Football	Netball	Athletics	Tennis