

Curriculum Overview 2024- 2025

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Year 4

	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) Recycling- value 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 time – Fronted A and Revising Fronted Adverbia Possessive Pronouns Revising Revising Conjunctions and Cla Introducing Direct Speech Sta Verbs Introducing Noun Phras	als Determiners Introducing Capital Letters Determiners uses Revising Nouns ndard and Non-Standard	Comparative and Superlative Adverbials of time – Fronted Place and Revising Fronted A with fronted adverbials Apos Plural and possessive The pr Dictionary skills Words of Laprefixes 're-', 'sub-', 'inter-', 'sub-', 'and Jon	Adverbials Adverbials of Adverbials Using commas strophes to show possession efixes 'in-', 'il-' and 'im-' tin or Greek origin The	Pronouns Singular and plura pronouns Apostrophes to sh direct speech Noun phrases verbs	ow possession Punctuating
Numeracy	Number Unit 1 - Place value 4-digit numbers (1) Number Unit 2 - Place value 4-digit numbers (2) Number Unit 3 - Addition and	Measurement Unit 4 – Area Number Unit 5 - Multiplication and division (1)	Number Unit 6 - Multiplication and division (2) Measurement Unit 7 - Length and perimeter Number Unit 8 - Fractions (1)	Number Unit 9 - Fractions (2) Number Unit 10 - Decimals (1) Children will take part in The Big Plastic Count- considering the impact of plastic on our planet and supporting Greenpeace to	Number Unit 11 - Decimals (2) Measurement Unit 12 - Money Measurement Unit - 13 Time	Geometry Unit 14 - Angles and 2D shapes Statistics Unit 15 - Statistics Geometry Unit 16 - Position and direction

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	subtraction			gather evidence about the plastic waste problem		
Times Table Focus 3, 6, 9 and 7 And all	Recall multiples of 3, 4 and 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 12x12
Science	What's that animal? Describe simple functions of the digestive system in humans. Identify different teeth in humans and name their functions. In know how to keep teeth healthy Identify and compare teeth of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. Construct and interpret a variety of food chains Identify animal habitats in the locality Developing a sense of awe and wonder. Appreciating beauty in nature	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. (GG13 and 15 Advocates for Change) Developing a sense of awe and wonder. Appreciating beauty in nature
Computing	Autumn 1 – Computing Systems and Networks	Autumn 2 – Creating Media	Spring 1 – Programming A	Spring 2 – Data and Information	Summer 1 – Creating Media	Summer 2 – Programming B
	The Internet (4.1) Recognising that the internet is a network of networks including the WWW, and why we should evaluate online content. Additional Unit - Connect Lesson 1	Audio production (4.2) Capturing and editing audio to produce a podcast, ensuring that copyright is considered.	Repetition in shapes (4.3) Using a text-based programming language to explore count-controlled loops when drawing shapes.	Data logging (4.4) Recognising how and why data is collected over time, before using data loggers to carry out an investigation,	Photo editing (4.5) Manipulating digital images, and reflecting on the impact of the changes and whether the required purpose is fulfilled,	Repetition in games (4.6) Using a block-based programming language to explore count-controlled and infinite loops when creating a game.

RE Encountering /experiencing God (having a sense of what lies beyond	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	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?
the			important and how is this			
material/phys ical)Ability to			put into practice?	ing sense of belief		
ask and discuss the 'Big Questions' (eg about life, death, suffering, nature of God)Opportu nities for prayer, connecting with	Recognise what a 'Gospel' is and give an example of the kinds of stories it contains Offer suggestions about what texts about baptism and Trinity mean. Give examples of what these texts mean to some Christians today	Identify some Hindu deities and say how they help Hindus describe God Make clear links between some stories (e.g. Svetaketu, Ganesh, Diwali) and what Hindus believe about God Offer informed suggestions about what Hindu murtis express about God	Identify the terms dharma, Sanatana Dharma and Hinduism and say what they mean Make links between Hindu practices and the idea that Hindu dharma is a whole 'way of life' (dharma)	Recognise the word 'Salvation', and that Christians believe Jesus came to 'save' or 'rescue' people, e.g. by showing them how to live. Offer informed suggestions about what the events of Holy Week mean to Christians Give examples of what Christians say about the importance of the events of Holy Week	Make clear links between the story of Pentecost and Christian beliefs about the 'Kingdom of God' on earth. Offer informed suggestions about what the events of Pentecost in Acts 2 might mean Give examples of what Pentecost means to some Christians now	Identify some beliefs about love, commitment and promises in two religious traditions and describe what they mean. Offer informed suggestions about the meaning and importance of ceremonies of commitment for religious and non-religious people today
God.Making			Human and Social Scien	nces- making connections		
sense of the world Exploration of personal faith	Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship in different ways (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live	Make simple links between beliefs about God and how Hindus live (e.g. choosing a deity and worshiping at a home shrine; celebrating Diwali) Identify some different ways in which Hindus worship	Describe how Hindus show their faith within their families in Britain today (e.g. home puja). Describe how Hindus show their faith within their faith communities in Britain today (e.g. arti and bhajans at the mandir; in festivals such as Diwali) Identify some different ways in which Hindus show their faith (e.g. between different communities in Britain, or between Britain and parts of India	Make simple links between the Gospel accounts and how Christians mark the Easter events in their communities Describe how Christians show their beliefs about Jesus in worship in different ways	Make simple links between the description of Pentecost in Acts 2, the Holy Spirit, the Kingdom of God, and how Christians live now. Describe how Christians show their beliefs about the Holy Spirit in worship	Describe what happens in ceremonies of commitment (e.g. baptism, sacred thread, marriage) and say what these rituals mean. Make simple links between beliefs about love and commitment and how people in at least two religious traditions live (e.g. through celebrating forgiveness, salvation and freedom at festivals) Identify some differences in how people celebrate commitment (e.g. different practices of marriage, or Christian baptism)
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	Make links between some Bible texts studied and the idea of God in Christianity, expressing clearly some	Raise questions and suggest answers about whether it is good to think about the cycle of	Raise questions and suggest answers about what is good about being a Hindu in Britain today,	Raise thoughtful questions and suggest some answers about why Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good	Make links between ideas about the Kingdom of God in the Bible and what people believe about	Raise questions and suggest answers about whether it is good for everyone to see life as journey, and to mark the

	ideas of their own about what Christians believe God is like	create/preserve/destroy in the world today Make links between the Hindu idea of everyone having a 'spark' of God in them and ideas about the value of people in the world today, giving good reasons for their ideas	and whether taking part in family and community rituals is a good thing for individuals and society, giving good reasons for their ideas	Friday', giving good reasons for their suggestions.	following God today, giving good reasons for their ideas	milestones. Make links between ideas of love, commitment and promises in religious and non-religious ceremonies. Give good reasons why they think ceremonies of commitment are or are not valuable today
History	 What impact did the Vikings have on the North East? Identify different reasons for migration to Britain. Sequence events according to their significance Explain where the Vikings came from and why they came to Britain. Make inferences from sources. Explain how sources can be biassed. Describe parts of a longboat. Design and create a longboat. Describe what the Vikings traded. Identify Viking trading routes. Explain whether the Vikings were traders or raiders and provide supporting evidence. Identify important events in the Anglo-Saxon and 		Why were the Norman castles certainly not bouncy? • Looking at the three contenders for the throne in 1066, and the battles that were fought between these men before William, Duke of Normandy, was crowned King of England. • Learn why castles were built, and how to become a Norman knight. • Learn about how England changed under William the Conqueror's rule with the introduction of the Feudal System. • Find out about the compilation of the Domesday book.		Make observations and deductions from sources. Suggest how children's lives have changed. Explain why children needed to work. Identify the kinds of jobs Tudor and Victorian children had, making observations and inferences about them. Identify how Lord Shaftesbury changed the lives of children and evaluate the impact of his work. Use sources to identify leisure activities and compare them over time. Identify diseases from the past and discuss how	

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	Viking struggle for				effective the	
	Britain.				treatments were.	
	 Suggest the cause 					
	and consequences					
	of events.					
	 Make observations 					
	and deductions					
	about artefacts.					
Geography	about arteracts.	Are all settlements the		What would make a great		Where does our food come
Geography		same?		American road trip?		from?
		Exploring different types of		American road trip:		Looking at the distribution of
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		settlements, land use, and		Map skills to locate the		the world's biomes and
		the difference between		main cities in North		mapping food imports from
		urban and rural. Children		America. Which continent		around the world; learning
		describe the different		is the USA in?		about trading fairly, focusing
		human and physical		Enquiry and Investigation		on Côte d'Ivoire and cocoa
		features in their local area		-Most significant		beans; exploring where the
		and make land use		landmarks and Diversity of		food for the children's school
		comparisons with New		landscapes		dinners comes from and the
		Delhi.		Can you name the 50		argument of 'local versus
				states and their		global'.
				characteristics		
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MFL	Phonetics lesson 1 & 2 (C)	Vegetables (E)	I can (I)	Presenting myself (I)	Classroom (I)	What is the weather (I)
	Ice cream(E)		()	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	(,	,
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Music	Poetry- (Performing)	Sounds- (Exploring sounds)	Building- (Beat)	Ancient Worlds-	Communication-	In the Past- (Notation)
	Develop performances of	Explore the way sounds are	Building themed songs	(Structure)	(Composing)	Use a variety of notations to
 Awareness 	contrasting poems. Use	produced and classified.	allow children to explore	Explore 20 th Century	Create a news programme	build performances from
of feelings;	voices to speak expressively	Use voices to make beatbox	different music textures.	minimalist music inspired	complete with theme	different periods and styles.
ability to	and rhythmically. Discover	sounds, learn to sing	Children use layers and	by the story of Akhenaten	music and school news	Learn a Renaissance dance,
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reflect and		_	rondo structure to	I	headlines. Use songs and	walk down the aisle to
	ways to create ostinato and	four-part songs and	rondo structure to	and compose music using	headlines. Use songs and raps to alert the school of	
reflect and express	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round.	rondo structure to combine ostinato using	and compose music using a layered pyramid	raps to alert the school of	Wagners Bridal march and
express	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances.	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link-	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day.	Wagners Bridal march and dance the mashed potato.
express Development	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link-	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round.	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments.	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link-	Wagners Bridal march and
express Development of	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances.	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link-Science)	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments. (Cross curricular link-	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit.	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day.	Wagners Bridal march and dance the mashed potato. (Cross curricular link- PE)
express Development of imagination	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link-English)	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link-Science) Recycling- (Structure)	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments.	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit. (Cross curricular link-	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link- English)	Wagners Bridal march and dance the mashed potato. (Cross curricular link- PE) Food and Drink- (Performing)
express Development of	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link-English) Environment- (Composing)	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link-Science) Recycling- (Structure) Create own instruments	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments. (Cross curricular link-PSHE)	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit.	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link- English) Time- (Beat)	Wagners Bridal march and dance the mashed potato. (Cross curricular link- PE) Food and Drink- (Performing) Cook up a musical feast
express Development of imagination and creativity	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link-English) Environment- (Composing) Seasons and the	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link-Science) Recycling- (Structure) Create own instruments from junk and use them to	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments. (Cross curricular link-PSHE) Around the World- (Pitch)	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit. (Cross curricular link-History)	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link- English) Time- (Beat) Music featuring clocks	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
express Development of imagination and creativity Making a	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link-English) Environment- (Composing) Seasons and the environment provide the	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	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments. (Cross curricular link- PSHE) Around the World- (Pitch) Explore pentatonic	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit. (Cross curricular link-History) Singing Spanish- (Pitch)	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link-English) Time- (Beat) Music featuring clocks helps children 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
express Development of imagination and creativity	ways to create ostinato and accompaniments to enhance performances. (Cross curricular link-English) Environment- (Composing) Seasons and the	four-part songs and perform a jazzy round. (Cross curricular link-Science) Recycling- (Structure) Create own instruments from junk and use them to	rondo structure to combine ostinato using body percussion and tuned instruments. (Cross curricular link-PSHE) Around the World- (Pitch)	and compose music using a layered pyramid structure. Celebrate the achievements of the Egyptians in this unit. (Cross curricular link-History)	raps to alert the school of burning issues of the day. (Cross curricular link- English) Time- (Beat) Music featuring clocks	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

Appreciating beauty in art, music, nature	accompaniments and discover how the environment has inspired composers throughout history. (Cross curricular link-Science)	variety of different musical structures. (Cross curricular link- Art and Design) Christmas Performance	fundamental dimensions of music are the same all over the world. (Cross curricular link- Geography)	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)	Learn to sing and play bell patterns, listen to an orchestral clock piece and create their own descriptive music. (Cross curricular link-Maths)	before celebrating in a song performance. (Cross curricular link- DT)
PSHE with RSE Main Topic	Healthy and Happy Friendships How can we solve friendship difficulties? Oualities Values Issues Manage Respect Personal boundaries Additional unit - Consent Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express	Our Similarities and Differences What do we know about identity and diversity? Similarities and differences Society Value and respect Judgements Dangers Perspectives Additional unit - Firework Safety	Caring and Responsibility What are our rights and responsibilities within our families and the wider society? Diversity Community Value and respect Benefits GG 8 – Decent work and economic growth Making a difference; duty	Families and Committed Relationships What sort of relationships can we experience in our everyday lives? Marriage Civil partnership Legal Commitment Lifelong love and care Additional unit - Families	Healthy Body, Healthy Mind What are the influences on our health and wellbeing? Routines Dental care Sleep Exercise Healthy diet Additional unit - Sun Safety	Coping with Change How do our bodies change as we enter puberty? Conflicting emotions Feelings Transitions Loss Separation Additional unit - Water Safety Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express
Art/DT Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express Development of imagination and creativity Making a difference; duty	Art: What can I learn from Viking art? Drawing Begin to use lines to create movement Begin to understand how to show extra detail using shading (e.g. direction of sunlight). In detail, annotate and evaluate own work, suggesting improvements.	DT: How should your puppets tell their story? Rama and Sita Develop designs Develop ideas Work, measure, cut and join materials Use a variety of tools with precision and care	How can I display my castle? John Piper Painting Experiment with creating mood with colour. Painting using watercolours Building on previous understanding by applying paint to show opaque and transparent	DT: How can we frame our work? Investigate free standing structures Explore design and function of photo frames Investigate strength in structures Explore joining techniques Explore cutting techniques	Art: What can we learn from botanical art? Marianne North Sculpture To create surface patterns and textures in a malleable material. Painting Experiment with creating mood with colour.	 DT: What is your favourite world dish? Identify where food comes from Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varies diet Prepare an African salad Prepare and cook a variety of savoury dishes

Appreciating beauty in art, music, nature	Decide which technique would be most effective when sketching. Use a range of drawing materials Printing Begin to create increasingly accurate patterns with more detail and precision. Show an understanding of how to use a variety of techniques to create prints.		colours and a stain. Use a number of brush techniques using thick and thin brushes to produce shapes, textures, patterns and lines. Drawing Begin to understand how to show extra detail using shading (e.g. direction of sunlight). Sculpture To join clay adequately and construct a simple base for extending and modelling other shapes. To plan and develop ideas, using different joining techniques and methods of construction To create surface patterns and textures in a malleable material.	Evaluate our products	 Painting using watercolours Building on previous understanding by applying paint to show opaque and transparent colours and a stain. Use a number of brush techniques using thick and thin brushes to produce shapes, textures, patterns and lines. 	 Demonstrate a range of food skills and techniques Follow a recipe demonstrating a range of cooking techniques
PE	Dodgeball Fundamentals Y3/4	Fitness Tag Rugby	Gymnastics Awareness of feelings; ability to reflect and express	Cricket Netball	Swimming Athletics	Athletics Tennis

	Development of imagination and creativity Football		
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