



Year 5/6 - Curriculum map Year A and B



Planned half term	ILP	Year group	Subject focus	Memorable experience	Innovate challenge	Recommended book (mostly Power of Reading texts)	Love to Investigate	English	Art & design	Computing	Design & technology	Geography	History	Mathematics	Music	PE	PSHE	Science
Year A Autumn1	Pharaohs	Year 5	History	Mummification scene	Egyptian funeral preparations	Phoenix Code by Helen Moss	Why does milk go off? Why do birds lay eggs?	Chronological reports; fact files; research skills; mystery stories; playscripts	Drawing artefacts, headwear, hieroglyphic amulets	Discrete	Clay water carriers, Egyptian food, model tombs, pyramids	Human and physical features of Egypt - River Nile, tourism	Ancient Egypt	Discrete	discrete	discrete	Moral issues, customs and beliefs, role playing Egyptian citizens	Discrete
Year A Autumn 2	Beast Creator	Year 5	Science	Visit a butterfly, insect or tropical house	Design a super-minibeast	1. The Last Wild By Piers Torday 2. Varmints By Helen Ward (picture book)	How do worms reproduce? Why do birds lay eggs?	Non-chronological reports; Instructions and advertisements; Comic strips; Limericks and kennings; Fantasy narrative	Drawing; Perspectives	Research and presentation	Model making	Local fieldwork; Contrasting locations	Discrete	Measurement; Statistics	Discrete	Discrete	Debating ethical issues	Living things and their habitats
Year A Spring 1	Frozen Kingdom	Year 6	Geography	Investigate ice	Polar rescue mission	1. Shackleton's Journey by William Grill 2. Ice Trap! Shackleton's Incredible Expedition	How do animals stay warm? Can we slow cooling down?	Chronological report; Short narrative; Diaries; Haiku poetry; Letter writing	Photography; Painting; Block printing	Collecting, evaluating and presenting information	Building an igloo	Features of the polar regions	Emigration and exploration in the early 1900s	Measurement (temperature); Negative numbers	Soundscapes	Outdoor adventure; Orienteering	Care of the environment	Living things and their habitats
Year A Spring 2	Revolution	Year 6	History	Victorian classroom visit	Present their cause (social/industrial of the time) in 2 mins to special guests of Queen Victoria	Cogheart by Peter Bunzl	How was life in Victorian times different to 21st century? What had been invented?	Participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, improvisations and debates. Narratives.	Non-chronological reports; biographies; diary writing and journals	Victorian photography	3D models; Victorian school activity	Transportation links	Victorian classroom; crime and punishment; Victorian child and family life; revolution	Discrete	Victorian parlor evening	Drills	Evaluating our work	Discrete
Year A Summer 1	Tomorrow's World	Year 6	Computing	Interview a web-designer, blogger or podcaster	Spy school website	Brightstorm: a sky-ship adventure by Vashti Hardy	How does light travel? What is a reflection? Can you see through it? Can you turn a light down?	Email and blogs; Newspaper reports; Websites; Thriller narratives; Podcasts	Logo design	Effective and safe online research; Computer networks; Algorithms; Using logical reasoning; Downloading music; Website design; 'Text' language	Key individuals in design and technology; Assistive technologies; Programming, monitoring and controlling products; Website header design; Product design	Discrete	History of computing	Discrete	Discrete	Discrete	Jobs of the future; Explaining opinions	Light; Electricity
Year A Summer 2	Scream Machine	Year 5	Science	Visit a fairground, theme or adventure park	Design a drop ride	The London Eye Mystery By Siobhan Dowd	How do levers help us? Why are zip-wires so fast? What do pulleys do?	Poetry; Short narrative with dialogue; Signage and emails; Adverts; Non-fiction books	Photography and image editing	Digital photography; Creating digital maps; Effective online research; Logical reasoning and algorithms; Safe and respectful use of technology; Online discussion; Digital posters	Ride design; Programming models; Mechanical systems; Working models; Evaluation; Food	Theme parks in the UK and overseas	Discrete	Measures (money)	Discrete	Discrete	Discussion and debate	Forces; Properties of everyday materials; Mechanisms; Working scientifically
Year B Autumn 1	A Child's War	Year 6	History	Evacuees	Street party	1. An Elephant in the Garden by Michael Murpurgo 2. Rose Blanche	How can you send a coded message?	Letters; Diaries; Persuasive writing; Narrative dialogue; Speeches	Discrete	Using search technologies; Using presentation software	Following recipes; Building structures	Human geography; Cities of the UK	The Second World War	Discrete	Listening, performing and composing	Competitive games; Dance	Empathising with people in different times	Discrete
Year B Autumn 2	Blood Heart	Year 6	Science	Sheep's heart dissection	Heart charity fundraiser	1. Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman 2. Cogheart by Peter Bunzl	How does blood flow? What's in blood? What can your heart rate tell you?	Non-chronological reports; Shape poetry; Slogans and adverts; Biography; Narrative using personification	Modelling and sculpture; Abstract art	Using websites; Flow diagrams	Selecting tools and equipment; Healthy recipes; Product packaging; Working models	Discrete	Discrete	Pie charts	Pulse; Heart raps	Cardiovascular exercise	Harmful substances; Caring about others	Human circulatory system; Measuring heart rate; History of blood groups; Lifestyle effects; Working scientifically
Year B Spring 1	Hola Mexico!	Year 6	Music	Mexican musical performance	Festival procession	Seasons of Splendour By Madhur Jaffrey	How can we make red? What colour is a shadow?	Invitations; Postcards; Instructions; Myths and legends; Poetry	Sculpture; Maya art; Carving	Online research; Digital presentations	Food of Mexico; Evaluating and making instruments	Using maps; Human and physical geography of Mexico	Ancient Maya civilisation	Discrete	Mexican music; Musical notation	Mexican dance	Discrete	Light and shadows
Year B Spring 2	Allotment	Year 5	Geography	Visit an allotment	Hold a farmer's market	The Midnight Fox By Betsy Byars	Do dock leaves cure a sting? How many potatoes can you grow?	Non-chronological reports; Instructions; Explanations; Narrative; Poetry	Botanical drawing and painting; Wire sculpture	Using the web; Word processing	Cooking and nutrition; Making planters; Making structures for growing plants	Land use; Food origin; Geographical skills and fieldwork; Map work; Climate	Discrete	Recording data; Selling produce	Discrete	Discrete	Taking responsibility	Plant reproduction and life cycles; Life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds; Working scientifically
Year B Summer 1	Alchemy Island	Year 5	Music	Chief Alchemist's riddle	Game soundtrack	1. If You Find This By Matthew Baker 2. Journey to the 1. Cosmic by Frank Cottrell Boyce 2. Cosmic Disco By Grace Nichols	Can you clean dirty water? Do all solids dissolve? Will it erupt? Which materials conduct heat?	Fantasy narrative; Non-chronological reports; Soliloquies; Poetry; Lyrics	Discrete	Digital photography; Debugging programs; Gaming	Electrical circuits; Designing a board game	Map reading; Using co-ordinates; Human and physical features	Discrete	Discrete	Composing; Recording and editing software; Atmospheric music; Graphic scores	Discrete	Discrete	Properties and changes of materials; Working scientifically
Year B Summer 2	Stargazers	Year 5	Science	Visit an observatory or planetarium	Rocket launch	1. Cosmic by Frank Cottrell Boyce 2. Cosmic Disco By Grace Nichols	How do we know the Earth is round? Can we track the Sun? How do rockets lift off? Why do planets have craters? How does the Moon move?	Mnemonics; Myths and legends; Free verse poetry; Newspaper reports; Science fiction/graphic narrative	Printing; Design	Programming; Stop-frame animation	Selecting materials; Design research; Structures; Evaluation	Locating physical features	Significant individuals - Galileo Galilei, Isaac Newton; 1960's Space Race	Problem solving using measures	Space-inspired music and lyrics	Dance	Discrete	Earth and space; Forces; Working scientifically