

Yearly Curriculum Overview 2023-2024

Year Group: Year 6



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Curriculum Title	Rocky Shores	All You Need Is Bugs	Shakespeariances	Ancient Maya	Off The Beaten Track	An Exceptional Voyage
POR	Letters from the Lighthouse <i>by Emma Carroll</i> Rose Blanche <i>by Ian McEwan</i>	The Brilliant Book of Bugs <i>by Jess French</i>	Macbeth (playscripts)	The Curse of the Maya: a truth-seeker's story <i>by Johnny Pearce</i>	The Highwayman <i>by Alfred Noyes</i>	What Mr Darwin Saw <i>by Mick Manning</i> Darwin's Dragon <i>by Lindsay Galvin</i>
Storytime Texts	Runaway Robot <i>by Frank Cottrell Boyce</i>		Dickens Stories <i>by Angela McAllister</i>	George <i>by Alex Gino</i>		Happy Here <i>by various authors</i> (poetry)
Trip/Visit/Experience	WW2 – Evacuation Day Mr Green	Bristol Bedfont Lakes	Macbeth Experience Day	Ancient Maya Day (Echelford)	Viking Workshop – History Squad Visit	Celebration Day / Colour Run
	History	Geography	Literacy	History	History	
Literacy	Focus: fiction and a picture book. Exploring and creating our own writing through WWII inspired texts.	Focus: nonfiction and poetry. Exploring and creating writing inspired by our Power of Reading text, Geography and Science.	Focus: a play. Exploring and creating our own writing through Shakespeare's engaging and gory play of Macbeth. Linking in our DT and History this will be a reoccurring theme.	Focus: fiction. Exploring and creating writing that links with our historical studies about Ancient Maya.	Focus: poetry. Exploring and creating our own writing through using the poem: Highwayman. This will enable children to look at the different ways writing is structured.	Focus: graphic novel Exploring and creating our own writing through vicariously living through Charles Darwin and life changing adventure to the Galapagos through a graphic novel and picture books.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prediction about how the different characters feel in Rose Blanche Acrostic poem about feelings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fact file about insects and their habitats Narrative from the point of view of an insect and how the world is seen differently 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative writing about the Battle of Elton. Descriptive potion poem Character description and showing their 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive argument based on if the children should enter the ancient temple. Job application, advertising for 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Character description of the different characters from the Highwayman Newspaper article about the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prediction narrative Recount from Darwin's point of view when joining the HMS Beagle.

	<p>the characters from Rose Blanche have</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter to Olive to share the positives of evacuation. Setting description of the town Olive and Cliff have been evacuated to including description of the lighthouse. Persuasive debate about if the Lighthouse should be 'destroyed' or not. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instruction writing about how to make a bug hotel 	<p>personality through their actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrating speech through retelling the story of Macbeth 	<p>the role of an archaeologist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Autobiography of a Mayan Gods or Goddess 	<p>death of the Highwayman.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diary entry from the point of view of different characters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel review about the Galapagos Island Integrating speech into a suspense narrative
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integers & Decimals Multiplication and Division 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calculation problems Fractions Missing angles and lengths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinates and shape Fractions Decimals and measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Percentages and statistics Proportion problems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SATs preparation and revision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporated into end of Year learning and introduction into Year 7 Maths learning.
Science	<p>Electricity <i>Links to DT – creating lighthouses.</i> Scientific symbols or circuits. Discovering voltage and how this works. Reasoning skills for why circuits do not work. Thomas Edison</p>	<p>Living Things and their Habitats - Classifying insects with up-levelled vocabulary. - Focus on Alexander Fleming. - Go out and see habitats and why animals live there. - What is the same and what is different.</p>	<p>Light <i>Lewis Latimer (1848-1928)</i> There he created a light bulb with a much more durable carbon filament. He also invented the threaded socket that we still use today</p>	<p>Animals Including Humans Marie Maynard Daly: Her research disclosed the relationship between high cholesterol and clogged arteries and increased our understanding of how foods and diet affect the health of the heart and the circulatory system</p>		<p>Evolution and Inheritance - Genetics in offspring. - Research into how animals adapt.</p>

	Lewis Latimer – helped invent the light bulb and the electric industry we have today.	Percy L. Julian – made drugs and chemicals from natural products – such as soy.	Shadows – Tube experiment of why light doesn't bend. How we see colour, structure of the eye. Colours of the spectrum.	Diet Meal Planner Circulatory system – how the nutrients travel to through the body.		
	Comparative/Fair Testing How is the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer effected by the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit?	Problem Solving What lives on our hands? Why do we wash our hands with soap? Identifying, grouping and classifying How can we classify living things by their common observable characteristics?	Pattern Seeking What happens to a shadow as an object travels closer to the light source?	Observation over time How are nutrients and water transported within animals, including humans? How does a human's lifestyle effect the body? Skittle experiment acting as the nutrients in the body		Research How has natural selection lead to the evolution of animals and plants in particular environments?
Computing	Lego WeDo Coding – Morse Code	Designing and creating a PowerPoint Presentation about Bugs. We will reference where the information has been sourced and explain how we know it is reliable. -Images of the text -Research from online - Tailoring for the audience. Science website.	Creating and editing a video of their shadow puppet theatre using video software.	Scratch – design, code and debug a game on Scratch (catch the falling chocolate).	Websites – create a website using Google Sites providing information about the highway man?	Scratch – Develop a game – Evolution.
Geography		Map skills linked to the Bedfont Lake Trip.	Global Warming and Climate Change Are we damaging our world? In this unit, the children will consider if we are damaging our world and			Comparison between a country in South America and Europe. Terrains, climates, animals etc.

			how we can protect it. The children will investigate energy production, the oceans and minerals, as well as conducting an enquiry into how the school can become more sustainable.			
History	WW2 Theme What impact did WW2 have upon children in Britain? (Evacuation, rationing, school life and propaganda)			Ancient Maya -Mayan Gods -Location of Ancient Maya. -Food and recipe. -How they communicated	Battle Comparisons: Vikings vs 1066 -Where they were from -Why they invaded -Punishments -Judge and Jury	
Religion and World Views	CHRISTIANITY: How is God Three – and yet One?	CHRISTIANITY: What do Christians believe about the Messiah – and why is it good news?	CHRISTIANITY: For Christians, what difference does it make to belong to God’s Kingdom?	JUDAISM: What does it mean to be part of a synagogue community?	HINDU (SANATANA) DHARMA: What helps Hindus (Sanatanis) to worship?	Who am I and where do I belong?
Music	Creating choral chants and WW2 songs. Difference between songs and the purpose of the songs. Harmonies and Rounds. Singing in the hall.	Focus: The Beatles. (appreciate and understand wide range of high quality, live and recorded music) Learnt the music to Yellow Submarine. Dynamics of different songs. Comparison to the Isley Brothers.	Comparing music in Shakespearean times to the modern day.	Educational song based on Ancient Maya. Created a score to go with their song.		Leavers Production and Assembly
Art		Focus on individual artists using insects/mini-beasts. 1. Rosalind Monks 2. Lucy Arnold		Ancient Maya Sculptures – creating a mask using the Ancient Maya masks for inspiration. <i>Jess Riva Cooper</i>		Still life sketches using Darwin’s sketches of the finches as inspiration. <i>Charles Darwin</i>

DT	Electrical Systems Creating a Lighthouse, including an electricity component.		Structures Shadow Puppet Theatre – pick a scene within the book. Scenes of Macbeth Use scaling, measurement, folding and joining to create a final piece		Cooking and Nutrition Viking Stew Design and make a stew fit for a Viking	
PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
MFL	Sports	Clothes	Leisure Activities	Weather	Transport	Opinions on French songs. Count up to 100.
PE	Invasion games: Netball and Tag Rugby Basic Skills: Netball	Gymnastics (Floor and Apparatus) <i>Simone Biles</i> Basic Skills: Gymnastics Fitness	Dance Basketball Tagtivate	Invasion games: Hockey and Football Tagtivate	Athletics (Track and fielding)	Striking and fielding: Tennis, rounders and cricket.