



Year 4 Curriculum Map 2026-2027

		Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	Reading	Tamarind and the Star of Ishta – Jasbinder Bilan	The Humans – Jonny Marx and Charlie Davis	The Firework Maker's Daughter – Phillip Pullman	The Fossil Hunter – Kate Winter The Hodgeheg – Dick King Smith	The Wild Robot – Peter Brown	The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – C S Lewis
	Writing genre and linked text	Poetry: Poems Aloud – Joseph Coelho Instructional Writing: Building With Lego Chop, Sizzle Wow: The Silver Spoon Comic Cookbook – Tara Stevens Developing Description: The Building Boy – Ross Montgomery	Writing to Inform: Dragonology: The Complete Book of Dragons – Dugald Steer Writing Short Stories	Creating Narrative: Traditional Tales Usborne Illustrated Arabian Nights Dual Purpose Writing: David Attenborough Wildlife Voiceovers Atlas of Animal Adventures – Rachel Williams/ Emily Hawkins	Creating Narrative: The Great Kapok Tree -- Lynn Cherry Persuasion: Save the Rainforest Poetry Link: There's a 'Rangtan in my Bedroom – James Sellick and Frann Preston-Gannon	Writing to Entertain: Personal Recounts Quick! Let's Get Out of Here – Michael Rosen Poetry Link Discussion: This or That? – Pippa Goodheart	Author Study: Nicola Davies Biography: Inventors: Incredible stories of the world's most ingenious inventions – Robert Winston
Mathematics		Place Value Value of each digit in a 4 digit number Find 1000 more or less Order and compare numbers beyond 1000 Round to the nearest 10,100,1000 Addition and Subtraction Use mental methods Use the formal method up to 4 digits Use the inverse Use rounding to estimate Area Find area by counting squares	Multiplication and Division Multiply by 1 and 0 Multiply 3 numbers together Recall multiplication and division facts up to 12x12 Use distributive law 2 or 3 digit x 1 digit using formal method. Recognise factor pairs	Length and Perimeter Measure and calculate perimeter in cm and m. Fractions Count in hundredths Calculate fractions of amounts Add and subtract same denominator fractions Recognise and represent equivalent fractions	Decimals Recognise and write in tenths and hundredths Divide a whole number with up to 2 digits by 10 or 100 Compare numbers with up to 2 decimal places Round to the nearest whole number Know decimal equivalents to $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$	Money Compare and calculate amounts of money in £ and p Time Convert between analogue and digital times Read and write the time from analogue and digital, using 12 and 24 hour clock. Convert from hours to minutes Roman Numerals Read Roman numerals to 100 Shape	Statistics Interpret and present data using bar charts and time graphs. Position and Direction Describe positions in the first quadrant using co-ordinates Describe translations using left/right and up/down Plot specific points to complete the drawing of a polygon Consolidation period based on prior teacher assessments.

					Identify acute and obtuse angles Compare and order up to 180 degrees. Classify shapes based on properties and size Identify lines of symmetry in 2D shapes Complete a simple shape about a line of symmetry	
	Problem Solving and Reasoning Skills					
Science	BIOLOGY Classifying organisms Introduction to classifying animals and their environment	BIOLOGY Food & digestion The human digestive system and food relationships in ecosystems	CHEMISTRY Particle model and states of matter States of matter in relation to particle arrangement	PHYSICS Sounds Relationship between strength of vibrations and volume of sound	PHYSICS Electricity Simple series circuits	CHEMISTRY Properties of materials Considering physical and chemical properties of a range of materials
Computing	Animation Know types of animation and explore features.	Unpacking Hardware and Software Define types of technology and know how these systems work together. Branching Databases Learn how to sort data through questioning and know how to test databases	Logo Focus on developing basic commands and programming concepts.	Effective Searching Select key words, refine searches and evaluate online accuracy.	Composing Beats Explore different elements of music, experiment with beats and compose engaging music. Introduction to AI Explore what AI is, what it can do and how it is used in today's digital world.	Coding Learn to use selection, co-ordinates, looping and variables to create a game.
	Online safety					
Geography	Volcanoes Understanding the structure of the Earth; how volcanoes are formed; and the impacts they can have on human settlement using case studies of Etna and La Soufriere			Looking at South America and Brazil Locating lines of longitude and latitude and South America; understanding Brazil's physical features and climate, and its human settlements in Rio de Janeiro		Earthquakes and human settlements Understanding why earthquakes take place and what effects they had in Haiti and Japan
History		North American history: Ancient Maya Understanding life for the Ancient Maya, and comparing this with that of the Ancient Greeks and Ancient Egyptians	Asian history: Early Islamic Civilisation The establishment of Baghdad and the contributions Islamic scholars in the House of Wisdom made to science,		European history: Local History Why is Bournemouth famous today? How has Bournemouth Pier been important in our community? How has migration shaped our community?	

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			maths, medicine and technology			
Art and Design	Pattern and Pumpkins Making 3D pumpkins from clay. Exploring texture and pattern by printmaking using bubble wrap. Yayoi Kusama		My Favourite Things Looking at objects from the British Museum using <i>This or That</i> by Goodhart. Drawing a still life based on personal possessions. Pippa Goodhart Joseph Cornell		Watercolour Tropical Rainforest Exploring use of watercolours to create a collaged response to the work of artists studied. Abel Rodriguez Henri Rousseau Henri Matisse	
Design and Technology		Pulleys, Linkages and Cams Using pulleys, linkages and cams to create a video that shares a message.		Cookery (soups) and textiles (bookmarks) Cooking vegetables and grains and combining into healthy soups. Develop sewing skills to create a bookmark on binka.		Mood Lighting Using nets and circuits to programme lighting.
Spanish	Phonetics Presenting Myself use a range of personal details including name, age, where they live and nationality	Goldilocks and the Three Bears be able to understand a familiar fairy tale using picture, word and phrase cards	Habitats present information various plants and animals that live in five very different habitats.	In the Classroom present information about what they have and do not have in their pencil cases and/or school bag in Spanish.	The Weather describe the weather and present a weather forecast	What is the date? Days of the week, months of the year and numbers 1-31, say the date and birthday in Spanish
RE	What do we mean by truth? Plato's cave, evidence and scientific reasoning.	Christianity/Judaism/Islam What does sacrifice mean? Abraham/Ibrahim in sacred text, Eid-ul-Adha, animal sacrifice, Jesus as Ultimate Sacrifice.	Christianity / Islam / Humanism How do people think about poverty, justice & self-sacrifice? Meaning of poverty & relative poverty, justice and everyday self-sacrifice.	Islam / Christianity How do people contribute to society? Self-sacrifice in form of charity or community action.	Islam How have people and events in history shaped Islamic diversity? Succession after Muhammad, conflict, Qur'anic interpretation. Sunni, Shia, Sufi.	How has religion and belief shaped our local area? International, national & local data. Lived expression in area.
PSHE	Families and people who care for me Caring friendships Respectful relationships Online relationships Mental wellbeing Internet safety and harms Physical health and fitness Healthy eating Drugs, alcohol and tobacco Health and prevention Basic 1 st aid Changing adolescent body Economic wellbeing					

		Transition British values					
P.E.	Indoor	Body Management Create a sequence with a partner within a set of parameters.	Gymnastics - Floor Give accurate feedback and perform with variety.		Gymnastics – Flight Can perform leaps and spins in a simple sequence.		Performance Dance Can adapt and perform a dance sequence.
	Outdoor	Invasion 1 Throw and catch effectively and consistently.	Striking/Fielding Can apply skills to game situations.	Net/Wall Can regularly select the correct shot and perform skills with control.	Invasion 2 Throw and catch effectively and consistently.	Athletics 1 Can evaluate and adapt their own performance and can adapt their technique in different situations. Sports Day	
Music		Body and tuned percussion Use musical terms and creating layered rhythms	Rock and roll Singing and performing rock and roll, walk the bass line	Changes in pitch, tempo and dynamics Understand and perform vocal and percussive ostinatos	Haiku, music and performance Develop skills of composition and performance	Samba and carnival sounds and instruments Use syncopated rhythms, composition and performance	Adapting and transposing motifs Further develop understanding of notation, motifs, singing and performance