

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW FOR HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY KS2 - FOUR YEAR CYCLE

CYCLE 1	LEAD SUBJECTS	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
TOPIC TITLE		ANCIENT GREEKS	EXTREME EARTH	THRILLS AND SPILLS (FAIR) (DT) (TRIP)
	HISTORY	Achievements of earliest civilization. A study of Greek life and their influence on the western world.		Frederick Savage - historic fairs. Music How did seaside holidays begin?
	GEOGRAPHY	Locate the Greek Empire, the British Empire and the British Commonwealth.	Locate countries of the world. Most extreme places on earth. Volcanoes, tsunamis and earthquakes.	Theme parks around the world. Field study of a seaside resort.
Stand alone week				French Week (DT)
CYCLE 2	LEAD SUBJECTS	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
TOPIC TITLE		SUPERHEROES OF THE VICTORIAN ERA Little match girl Christmas play or Oliver Twist	THE WINDOW (L) (TRIP)	ALICE IN WONDERLAND (L) (DT) (PLAY)
	HISTORY	Contributions to history and engineering e.g. railways.	Study of an aspect of history significant to locality. E.g. Altham	Lewis Carroll Castles of the UK.
A significant turning point in British history...	GEOGRAPHY	First railways and bridges of the UK. Locate countries of UK and cities.	Local area field trip. River Calder. Climate change and flooding.	Growing plants and harvesting. Designing hats (DT)
Stand alone week		Ancient Dynasty of China		Healthy Eating week (DT)

CYCLE 3	LEAD SUBJECTS	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
TOPIC TITLE		LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION (D) (M)	ROMAN EMPIRE (TRIP) Shakespeare's Julius Caesar (L) (PLAY)	POWERFUL PYRAMIDS (DT) (EVENT)
	HISTORY	Lumiere brothers; birth of the cinema. Lotte Reiniger. History of Hinduism.	Roman empire and power of its army. What did the Romans give us?	Ancient Egyptians. Pharaohs and Sphinx. DT topic on tombs.
	GEOGRAPHY	Study of India. Physical geography and human geography.	Countries taken by the Romans. What did the Romans want from our land?	
Stand alone week		Mayan Civilization		Egyptian day
CYCLE 4	LEAD SUBJECTS	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
TOPIC TITLE		HORRIBLE HISTORIES Stig of the Dump (DT)	AMAZON	HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON (L) (TRIP) (PLAY)
	HISTORY	Stone to Iron age. Exploring artefacts.		Viking raids and invasion. Anglo-saxon laws and justice. Edward the Confessor
	GEOGRAPHY	Skara Brae; Monuments, Stonehenge, Iron Age hill forts settlements and stone circles.	Fair-trade. Similarities and differences through a study of a region within S America.	Viking settlements in Britain and Ireland. Scandinavia.
Stand alone week		Space and/or Aurora Borealis	Fairtrade school shop.	
ON GOING - Literacy (L) Design Technology (DT) PSHE and BLP Music French P.E. Dance (D)				