

Year 2 2023/24	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic	Street Detectives	A Taste of Africa	Towers, Tunnels and Turrets	Land Ahoy!	Wriggle and Crawl	Beachcombers
Drivers: Diversity The World Possibilities	Possibilities: Baker. The World: History – Then & Now.	Diversity: Nelson Mandela. The World/Diversity: The Differences Between the UK and Africa.	Possibilities: Architects, Construction Workers & Inventors.	Possibilities: River Pilots & Sea Captains. Diversity: Grace Darling.	Possibilities: Zookeeper.	The World: Different Origins of Food. Diversity: Women Pirates.
Core Skills: Collaboration Investigation Motivation Knowledge Resilience Initiative	Resilience/Motivation: Moving from Y1 to Y2. Collaboration: baking. Initiative: Staying Safe Online	Collaboration: African Patterned Montage. Knowledge/Investigation: How do plants grow in the winter? Knowledge: Nelson Mandela. Collaboration/Motivation: The Nativity.	Initiative/Resilience: Creating and Testing a Sturdy Bridge Structure.	Knowledge: The Life of Grace Darling/Christopher Columbus. Investigation: Testing Boat Structures.	Investigation: Mixing Colours. Motivation/Collaboration: Looking After and Caring for Butterflies. Knowledge: Clay Minibeast Models,	Resilience – Swimming Investigation: Will it degrade?
FBV: Democracy Rule of Law Tolerance Individual liberty Mutual respect	Democracy/Individual Liberty: School and Class Council Rule of Law: Class Rules and Expectations Mutual Respect – PSHE (Resolving Issues)	Democracy / Rule of Law / Individual Liberty: Nelson Mandela and Black History Month Mutual Respect and Tolerance: Christianity	Mutual Respect and Tolerance: Christianity Rule of Law: The Gunpowder Plot	Mutual Respect and Tolerance: Christianity Individual Liberty: Grace Darling	Mutual Respect and Tolerance: Judaism Rule of Law – PSHE Harmful/Not Harmful Household Products	Mutual Respect and Tolerance: Different religious views Law/Democracy: Male/Female Pirates.

	Mutual Respect: Christians, Hindus and Jews	Mutual Respect – The UK vs Africa				
Core text	On the Way Home Hermelin the Detective Mouse The Sound Collector	Lila and the Secret of Rain The Ugly Five	Jack and the Beanstalk Jack and the Baked Beanstalk The Tunnel	Mrs Armitage on Wheels Grace Darling	James and the Giant Peach	Sally and the Limpet The Sea Monster
English genres	Narrative Instructions Recount (Diary Entry) Poetry (Performance)	Stories from Other Cultures Poetry (Riddles)	Traditional Tales Adventure Stories	Fiction Stories with Recurring Literacy Language Recount (Sea Rescue) Poetry (Rhyming)	Persuasive Writing Information Texts	Narrative: Retelling and Adapting Stories Poetry (On a Topic)
Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction	Shape Money	Multiplication and Division	Length and Height Mass, Capacity and Temperature	Fractions Time	Statistics Position and Direction
Science Love to investigate	Everyday Materials	Plants	Animals including Habitats		Animals including Humans. Living things and their habitats	Living things and their habitats.
		How do plants grow in winter?	Can you make a paper bridge?	Why do boats float?		Will it degrade?
DT			Model Towers (Levers) Key Inventor: Isambard Kingdom Brunel			Origins of Food Buggies (Wheels and Axles)
Computing	Online Safety		Computing systems and networks – IT around us	Data and information - Pictograms		Programming B - Programming quizzes
Art	Famous Local Artist: John Constable (Landscape	African Masks Traditional African Patterns Printing		Art and Design Techniques: Charcoal	Observational Drawings of Minibeasts Clay Minibeast Model	Self-Portraits

	Painting) Famous Artist: James Rizzi					
History	Changes Within Living Memory Local Places & People – St Luke’s Church/John Constable	Significant People & Their Achievements – Nelson Mandela	Events Beyond Living Memory: The Gunpowder Plot Significant People - Isambard Kingdom Brunel. Local Places – Mountfitchet Castle	Significant People – Sea Explorers including Christopher Columbus Sequence and Describe The Lives of People Beyond Living Memory - Grace Darling		Significant People – Historical Pirates
Geography	Physical and Human Geography Fieldwork, Maps & Directions	Location of Hot/Cold Countries of the World. The Equator and the North/South poles. Comparing the UK and Africa. Compass Directions	Capital cities of the UK and its Surrounding Seas	Human and Physical Geography Fieldwork, Maps & Directions	Fieldwork, Maps & Directions	
RE	Why is light an important symbol for Christians, Jews and Hindus?	What does the nativity story teach Christians about Jesus?	Start if time (How do Christians belong to their faith)	How do Christians belong to their faith family?	How do Jewish people celebrate Passover (Pesach)?	Why do people have different views about the idea of God?
PSHE	R6/7.L1/2 - About listening to others and playing cooperatively (class rules). H3 - To recognise what they are good at and set simple goals. L4 - About groups and communities that they belong to. L5 - About looking after the local environment. R13/14 - That hurtful teasing and bullying is	H1 - About some of the things that keep our bodies healthy (physical activity, sleep, rest, healthy food). H2 - About making healthy choices. L8 - That everybody is unique L9 - About the ways we are the same as other people.	H4/R1 - About different kinds of feelings. About simple strategies to manage feelings. H13/14/15 - How to ask for help if they are worried about something. R11 - That bodies and feelings can be hurt. L3 - About respecting the needs of ourselves and others.	R2/4/12 - About different types of behaviour and how this can make others feel. R3 - About the importance of not keeping secrets that make them feel uncomfortable, anxious or afraid. L10 - About the people who work in their community. How to get	H11 - That household products, including medicines, can be harmful if not used correctly. H12 - About rules for keeping safe (in familiar and unfamiliar situations). L6/7 - About where money comes from and what it is used for. About how to keep money safe.	H8/9 - About growing, changing and becoming more independent. H10 - The correct names for the main parts of the body of boys and girls. R8 - About the importance of respect for differences and similarities between people.

	wrong. What to do if teasing and bullying is happening.				their help, including in an emergency.							
PE	Dance	Fundamental Movement Skills 3	Striking and Fielding Game Skills 2	Target Games 3	Yoga	Net & Wall Game Skills 2	Gymnastics – Spinning, Turning and Twisting	Invasion Game Skills 2	Personal Challenges	OAA	Athletics 2	Swimming
Music	Charanga: Hands, Feet, Heart		Nativity		Charanga: Zootime			Charanga: Friendship Song				

Topics (all from cornerstones except for A Taste of Africa):

Street Detectives: Teach children about their local area. This project develops children’s knowledge of key landmarks, services and the community, how these have changed over the years and what they, as the younger generation, can do for their local area.

A Taste of Africa: Teach children the differences between the UK and Africa by expanding their knowledge by looking at other cultures and famous individuals.

Towers, Tunnels and Turrets: Teach children about design, structures and materials. This project develops children’s knowledge of how to successfully design and build model bridges and buildings.

Land Ahoy!: Develop children’s knowledge of the sea, seafaring and pirates. Children use maps, learn about famous pirates and explorers and find out about life at sea.

Wriggle and Crawl: Develop children’s knowledge of living things and their habitats. Children identify, observe and investigate minibeasts and understand life cycles.

Beachcombers: Develop children’s knowledge of coastal features. Children observe, identify and classify seaside plants and animals and learn about habitats, food chains and environmental issues.