


Year 4 Curriculum Overview

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Our Watery World		Portals to the Past – Stone Age to Iron Age	Portals to the Past – The Shang Dynasty	Romans	
English	River poetry – using figurative language The Lighthouse film unit – Diaries – writing from the point of view of a character	Non-chronological reports Narrative – settings and characters	Stone Age Boy by Sotoshi Kitamura Talk for writing – narratives	Stig of the Dump Writing in the first person Narrative – Settings and characters Instructions	Dragonology – Non-chronological reports	Diaries – writing from the point of view of a character Newspaper report Book reviews
Power of Reading		Pugs of the Frozen North by Philip Reeve		Stig of the Dump by Clive King	Dragonology by Dugald Steer Tell Me a Dragon by Jackie Morris	Charlotte’s Web by EB White
Maths	Number - Place value Number - Addition and subtraction	Measurement - Area Number - Multiplication and division	Number - Multiplication and division Measurement - Length and perimeter	Number - Fractions Number - Decimals	Number - Decimals Measurement - Money Measurement - Time	Geometry - Shape Statistics Geometry - Position and direction
Science	States of Matter – investigating change, fair testing	States of Matter – the water cycle (Geography link)	Sound	Humans and Other Animals - Teeth, eating and digestion	Living things and their habitats	Electricity
Computing	Touch Typing NCCE - Computer Systems and Networks	NCCE - Logo	Coding: Espresso – Introduction to variables	NCCE - Creating Media: Photo editing	NCCE - Scratch	Creating Media: Audio editing
History	Black History Month – Harriet Tubman		Stone Age to Iron Age	Shang Dynasty	Romans in Britain	
Geography	Rivers (fieldwork opportunity)	South America – The Amazon Basin and Rainforests				
Art	Sculpture			Art and Design Skills Painting and mixed media: light and dark	Formal Elements of Art symmetry, tessellation, geometric shapes, Roman mosaics	
D&T	Cooking	Mechanical Systems Outcome: make a slingshot car	Structure: Pavilions Outcome: make a Stone Age dwelling	Cooking		Electrical systems Outcome: make a functioning torch with a switch
RE	Buddhism Is it possible for everyone to be happy?	Christianity What is the most significant part of the nativity story?	Buddhism Could the Buddha’s teachings make the world a better place?	Christianity Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?	Buddhism What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?	Christianity Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians?
PSHE & Citizenship	Me and My Relationships		Valuing difference Safer Internet Day		Growing and Changing (preparing for changes at puberty)	
Indoor PE	Bollywood Dance	Dance Life cycles	Gymnastics	Gymnastics	Relax Kids	Gymnastics
Outdoor PE	Tennis	Netball	Football	Hockey	Outdoor Athletics	Rounders
Music	Charanga – Mama Mia Ukulele – taught by visiting specialist	Ukulele – taught by visiting specialist	Ukulele – taught by visiting specialist	Charanga – Glockenspiels Ukulele – taught by visiting specialist	Charanga – Lean on Me Ukulele – taught by visiting specialist	Ukulele – taught by visiting specialist
MFL	Phonetics lessons 1&2 (C) Fruits (E)	Under the Sea (E)	Ancient Britain (E)	In the Classroom (I)	The Romans (I)	Habitats (I)
Visits and Visitors	Geography fieldtrip to the River Blackwater		E-Safety (Two Johns) Stone Age Workshop		Trip to Colchester Castle	Puberty Workshop (Coram Life)
End of Topic Piece	Geography – performance of river poetry and rainforest presentation		History – Stone Age School		Library of Dragonology books	

