

YEAR 4

Overview of topics for 2019-2020

Term	Topic	Drivers/Many curriculum area	English texts	CURRICULUM LINKS
Aut 1	How does it work?	Science - Forces Boeing staff visit - workshops about forces and flight	The Invention of Hugo Cabret	ART: Pencil drawing. Collage. Computing: Stop frame animation - Hugo Cabret Parachute drop
Aut 2	Have you got what it takes to be an astronaut?	Science – Space Herstmonceaux Science Centre	The Blue Planet Eng: Virtual reality journey through space	MUSIC: Composer – John Williams (Star Wars overture) DT: Making a simple model of planets and sun – using cogs, pulleys, etc. RE: Where is heaven? Comparing teachings of different religions and humanist views. ECO Schools: Environmental changes from Space
Spr 1	Where do we come from?	History - Anglo-Saxons with Geog – countries of Europe	Beowulf	MUSIC: What might Anglo-Saxon music sound like? What music would you set to Beowulf? DT: Food Tech- What would the diet of an Anglo-Saxon look like? Cooking bread using a fire (Forest Schools area) RE: Arrival of Christianity in Britain. Comparing pagan gods and Christian worship in the past. Visit to Worth Church/Worth Way ECO Schools: Energy – living without electricity.
Spr 2	Where do we come from?	History – Vikings	Eric the Viking	ART: 3D art work - Viking ships. Computing: Fact files on Anglo Saxons and/or Vikings -Word processing software: Word, Publisher, Powerpoint MUSIC: Introduce Norwegian traditional folk music. What would the Vikings sing about? DT: Design and make a Viking ship fit for purpose. ECO Schools: Energy – living without electricity. Compare and contrast. How was living in this time better for the planet?
Sum 1	Going on an adventure!	Geog – mountains / map skills Residential	First to the Top and Trapped by the Ice	ART: Landscape paintings. Watercolour work. Computing: Espresso Coding - Year 4 Units a) Variables and b) Repetition and Loops. Lesson plans alongside access for all children. MUSIC: RHYTHM MINI MODULE – Learn to read and play rhythms on a range of percussion instruments. OL: Geography map work in Maidenbower, including field maps, 4-figure OS coordinates and 8 compass points.
Sum 2	Going on an adventure!	Geog – Rain forests and deserts / South America	Hansel and Gretel	ART: Rousseau artist study Computing: Scratch, Microsoft programs, Prezi MUSIC: Create a sound-scape of a rainforest – record using Audacity. Tilgate – woodland canopies, habitats Leaf identification ECO Schools: Deforestation/ Biodiversity