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		Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
2025-2026	Topic Question	Are all the Americas the same?	World War Two – How Did Britain ‘Keep calm and carry on?’”	Shang Dynasty – What impact have they had on Britain	Shang Dynasty – What impact have they had on Britain?	Geographical similarities and differences study – Americas and Europe – Home or Away?	Consolidation
	Visits	Grafham Water (?)	Duxford		Fitzwilliam Museum		
	Key Texts	The Raven The Piano Pixar Video Information Texts about the Americas	Rose Blanche My Secret War Diary	Shackleton’s Journey	The Firework Maker’s Daughter Lifted Pixar Video	The Majestic Plastic Bag	Shakespeare Plays Re-written for children Theatre Show
	Reading	Class novel: Holes Reading skills focus: Retrieval from non-fiction; character inferences; author’s use of language; strategies for unknown vocabulary	Class novel: When the Sky Falls Reading skills focus: Retrieval from fiction; use of structural features in texts; differences between fact and opinion; describing themes; exploring texts with flashbacks and different viewpoints; impact of different language devices in poetry	Class novel: Nevermoor: The Trial of Morrigan Crow Retrieval using multiple texts; inferences requiring comparison across a text; identifying cause and effect; identifying the main idea of a text and how particular parts contribute	Class novel: Can You See Me? Reading skills focus: How words or phrases create contribute to atmosphere; SATs Question Types	Class novel: Fightback Reading skills focus: SATs Question Types; comparing themes in stories of the same genre	Class novel: The Final Year Reading skills focus: Recap of all skills; presenting ideas through debate and discussion; book reviews
	Spelling	Year 5: -ough, silent letters, -able/-ible, homophones Year 6: -able/-ably, -ible/ibly, -fer	Year 5: Plurals ending in –s, -es and –ies, apostrophe s for contraction, apostrophes for singular and plural possession, year 5/6 spelling list, hyphens when adding a prefix Year 6: -cious, -tious, -ce/se, homophones	Year 5: Apostrophes for singular and plural possession, rare GPCs, -able/-ible, -ably/-ibly, homophones, year5/6 spelling list Year 6: : -ough, -cial, - tial	Year 5: Year 5/6 spelling list, homophones, -ei, -ie, apostrophes for singular and plural possession Year 6: identified challenging spelling patterns	Year 5: -ei, -ie, year 5/6 spelling list, homophones Year 6: Revision	Year 5: Year 5/6 spelling list, etymological and morphological strategies, tricky suffixes, homophones Year 6: Silent letters and homophones
	English	Narrative Flashback/Suspense (entertain) Non-chronological report (inform) Week of poetry	Recount – diary (inform) Biography (inform)	Motivational speeches (Persuade) Recount – newspaper (inform) Log book entry (inform)	Narrative – Action/Setting (entertain) Narrative – characterisation including dialogue (entertain)	Explanation Text (circulatory system) Documentary voiceover (inform) Poetry	Discussion – Should we abolish school uniform? Diary Entries (of characters and of trip)

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					Letter of complaint (inform)		
Grammar	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs	Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs
Maths	Number and Place Value Four Operations	Four Operations Fractions	Decimals and Percentages Converting Units Year 5: Fractions Year 6: Ratio, Algebra	Converting Units Area, Perimeter and Volume	Year 5: Consolidation, Position, Direction and Movement Year 6: Statistics, Shape, Position, Direction and Movement, SATs	Year 5: Shape, Statistics, Consolidation and Recap Year 6: Investigations, Consolidation and Recap	
Science	Electricity	Evolution and Inheritance	Light	Classifying Living Things	Animals including humans (circulatory systems)	Animals including humans (circulatory systems)	
Geography	Americas				The Americas and Europe		
History		World War Two	Shang Dynasty	Shang Dynasty			
RE	Why do Humanists say happiness is the goal of life?	What would Jesus do?	What is holiness for Jewish people: a place, a time, an object or something else?	What difference does the resurrection make for Christians?	How did Buddha teach his followers to find Enlightenment? Visit the Buddhist Centre	Creation and Science – Conflicting or complimentary?	
DT	Game or moving picture – electrical and mechanical components Hydraulics – tubing, syringes and press it backwards and forwards air can be compressed. Pneumatic devices.		Recreate an artefact Mouldable materials Stiff and flexible materials Clay. Mod-roc. Pick an artefact. What would you use in an ideal world?		Try recipes from each different country Create one of their own Food and nutrition	Consolidation Textiles Has there been something you enjoyed that you want to do more of? Doing a textiles based response.	

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		Vocabulary – pneumatic, hydraulic – which is more reliable (hydraulic). States of matter. Compression of particles.		Anything that needs to be stiffened – how can we make it stiff? Etc.			Making a pattern, cutting a pattern, fixing things together.
Art			Propaganda art (from WW2 posters to Bob and Roberta Smith)		(Clay) bronze Shang vessels		Creative arts week
Music	Melody and Harmony in Music	Developing Ensemble Skills	Fresh Prince	Musical Styles Connect Us	Dancing in the Street	Farewell Tour	
French	Buildings on the High Street il y a, un marché, un magasin, un supermarché, une poste, une banque, un café, une mairie, un magasin de confection, une bijouterie, une boulangerie Asking for and giving directions: à gauche, à droite, au centre, au coin il y a...? Il y a, ici, c'est	Times of Day Christmas – French traditions la forêt, il neige, un sapin, je brille, une bougie Pere Noel La galette: Ephiphany	Keeping fit (including revision of hobbies, likes and dislikes) Keeping healthy (including revision of sport and hobbies) j'aime... je deteste... Faire du jogging est plus énergique que regarder la télé - Qu'est ce que tu vas faire?	Comparisons Foods – likes and dislikes le pain, une baguette, le riz, les pâtes, les pommes de terre, la jambon, le poisson, le fromage, l'eau, le yaourt, le chocolat, la glace, le gateau, les biscuits, les chips, les frites, les carottes, les petits-pois, la salade un croissant, un pain au chocolat, un pain au raisin, une tartine, un chocolat chaud, un jus d'orange, le beurre, le sucre, des oeufs, le se	Life in France Similarities and differences between UK and France Geography – saying where you live Ou habite tu? J'habite à + town dans le nord, dans le sud, dans l'ouest, dans l'est, d'Angleterre	Weather and seasons Date: day/month/year Times of the day Matin, après-midi, soir à 10 heures, à 4 heures et demie Geography – saying where you live: Date Aujourd'hui c'est lundi 10 octobre Weather and seasons Quel temps fait – il? Il fait chaud, Il fait froid, très, un peu	
PSHE	Economic Wellbeing and Financial Capability	Rights, Rules and Responsibilities	Drug Education	My Emotions Year 5 RSHE	Managing Change Year 6: RSHE	Digital Lifestyles Transition Work	
PE	Team Building Games Competitive Games Swimming	Gymnastics Dance	Football Basketball	Touch/Tag Rugby Athletics	Cricket Gymnastics/Yoga Outdoor Adventurous Activities	Netball Rounders	
Computing	5.4 Flat-file databases	5.5 Introduction to vector graphics	5.6 Selection in quizzes	6.4 Introduction to Spreadsheets	6.5 3D modelling	6.6 Sensing movement	