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	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer	Summer 2
Theme	**Vikings**	**Superheroes**	**Appearances**	**Vampires**	**Responsibility**	**Recognition**
English	Beowulf Reading and comprehension Plot and character analysis Vocabulary Past and present tense Punctuation ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Art – Celtic designs*** ***DT – shields*** ***Music – film music*** ***PE – building strength*** **RRSA** 17,24	DC/Marvel Comic book stories Plot and character analysis Drama Inference and deduction Purpose Grammatical function words ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Art – character design*** ***DT- shields*** ***Music – film music*** ***Media – advertising, films*** **RRSA** 12,8	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Reading and comprehension Vocabulary Script writing Sequencing Role Play Phonetics ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Art – space sculpture*** ***DT – furniture*** ***Music – electronic music*** ***Experiential – World Book Day*** ***Media - films*** **RRSA** 26,12	Cirque Du Freak Speaking and listening Short stories Dictionary skills Descriptive writing Inference and deduction Speech Sentence structure ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Art – costume design*** ***Music – Charanga – circus theme tunes*** **RRSA** 2,8,23	A Monster Calls Fantasy novels Illustrations Plot and character analysis Script writing Subordinating connectives ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Art – landscapes, trees and monsters*** ***Media – film and language*** **RRSA** 13,25,24	**Transition** Spellings, punctuation and grammar Abstract Nouns Colons and semi colons Complex sentences Direct and indirect speech Homonyms Assessments – Assertive Mentoring Poetry Poetic conventions Personification Similes Inferences Metaphors Rehearsing and performing Critiquing a performance ***Cross Curricular Links:*** **Art – Geography and culture** **Food – Seasonal British fruits** **RRSA** 13
Maths	Set 1 Number and place value Addition and subtraction Multiplication and division Statistics (based on ability) Set 2 Assessments Place value; addition; subtraction; word problems ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***ICT – spreadsheets and databases*** ***Vocabulary - equals, place value***	Set 1 Measurement Length and Perimeter Area Multiplication and Divison Fractions Set 2 Multiplication Division ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Vocabulary -numerator, denominator***	Set 1 Multiplication and Division Area Fractions Decimals Percentages Algebra Set 2 Measurements and length Fractions Statistics Height ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***IT –robotics and programming*** ***Vocabulary – orientation, degrees*** **RRSA** 26	Set 1 Fractions Percentages Decimals Perimeter, area and volume Ratio Set 2 Measurement, mass and capacity Number decimals. ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Vocabulary – volume, mass, density***	Set 1 Decimals Money Time Statistics Shape Set 2 Money Time Problem solving and efficient methods. ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***IT – binary and numbers*** ***PE- speed*** **RRSA** 26	Set 1 Geometry Measurement Position and direction Set 2 Statistics properties of shapes mass capacity temperature **Transition** Introducing problem solving through maths games and puzzles: number, geometry and measures, statistics Assessments – Assertive Mentoring Arithmetic evaluation ***Cross Curricular Links:*** Music – Structure of music IT – Commands and data **RRSA** 29

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Science	Acids and Alkalines Cell tissues organs and systems ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Maths – weight and measure*** ***DT – types of materials*** ***Experiential- growing plants,*** **gardening** **RSSA** 6 24 27	Light and Sound ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***English – spellings*** ***PE – bleep tests*** **RRSA** 24	Forces and Magnets ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***PE- bleep tests*** ***English – mnemonics*** ***Vocabulary – velocity, atmosphere, composition***	Everyday Materials ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***IT –animation*** ***Vocabulary – genetics, recessive and dominant*** **RRSA** 1,24	Rocks ***Cross Curricular Links:*** **RRSA** 24	**Transition** Genetics and evolution ***Cross Curricular Links:*** Food Technology – Advantages of eating seasonally PE- Performance and competitive sport **RRSA** 24,26
Humanities	The Vikings and Anglo History of the Vikings Viking England Viking trade Viking warfare ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Experiential-Viking outreach day*** ***Vocabulary – artefacts, evidence,, timeline***	Landscapes Urban and rural Mountains Deserts Coastal ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***English – inference and deduction*** ***Descriptive Writing*** ***Art – landscape drawing*** ***Vocabulary – erosion, weathering, sediments*** **RRSA** 24	7 wonders of the world Investigate each wonder ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***English – vocabulary*** ***IT- media ISS*** ***Vocabulary – satellites, orbit, experiment*** **RRSA** 24,31	Crime and Punishment Over Time Romans Anglo Saxons Tudors Highwaymen Victorian Throughout the ages ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Maths – Order and Coordinates*** **RRSA** 37,38,40	Rainforests, UK Eco systems Layers of rainforest Exploitation Deforestation ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Science – materials and ores photosynthesis*** ***pollution and ozone*** ***Vocabulary – canopy, biosphere, species*** ***Media – marketing*** **RRSA** 24	**Transition** Map Skills Interpreting Ordnance surveys Scale Famous explorers Influential People (Classroom names) ***Cross Curricular Links:*** Maths – Maps, Scales, Co-ordinates ICT – Using software **RRSA** 17
PSHE	Drugs and Alcohol Why do people take drugs? Categorising Drugs Legal and Illegal Drugs Drugs and the law Cannabis Impacts upon health Facts and Statistics ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Citizenship – Law*** ***Maths – Statistics*** ***ICT – Research, Using software packages*** **RRSA** 2, 6, 13, 17, 18, 19, 24, 33, 34, 36, 40, 41,	What is SRE and why do we need to learn about it? Importance of friendship Different types of relationships SRE Communication Qualities in a relationship Sexting Stages of a relationship Contraception ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***English- Literacy skills*** ***Citizenship – Rights and Responsibilities, Law*** ***ICT – Online Safety*** ***Science – Male and Female Reproductive Systems*** ***Experiential - Workshops*** **RRSA** 17,24,34,36	Mental Health Emotional Well-Being Body Image Managing Change and Loss Online Safety ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***ICT – Online Safety*** ***SRE – Media Influences*** **RRSA** 2, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 24, 27, 29, 31, 36, 34, 36	RE Introduction to Religion Religious Symbols Places of Religion Festivals Beliefs about ***God*** ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***English- Extended Writing Skills, Fact and Opinion*** ***Citizenship – Rights and Responsibilities, Law*** ***ICT – Research*** ***Experiential – Visits to places of worship, Guest Speakers*** **RRSA** 2,7,8, 12, 13, 14, 17, 28, 29, 30,	Rights and Responsibilities Racism Ageism Religious Discrimination Challenging Discrimination Respecting Each other Peer Influence ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***English- Writing to argue*** ***Citizenship – Rights and Responsibilities*** ***RE – Religious Values*** ***Humanities – Chronology*** **RRSA** 1, 2, 8,12,13,14,17, 19, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31	**Transition** Personal Safety First Aid Money Management Risks and Consequences making financial decisions ***Cross Curricular Links:*** ***Citizenship – Money Management*** ***Maths – Number, Estimation, Budgeting*** ***Experiential - Workshops*** **RRSA** 34,36
Generic Articles: 1,2,3,4,6,8,12,13,14,17,19,21,23,28,29,30,31,42						

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