

History and Geography Curriculum Overview Cycle B

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AUTUMN 1	All the Colours of Me	Families and Friends	GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY Our School	GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY Life on the Border: Where do I live?	HISTORY Stone Age to iron Age	HISTORY Ancient Greece; Olympic Games	HISTORY Transatlantic Slave Trade
Core Texts	The Rainbow Fish Sharing a Shell The Skin you Live In	Owl Babies I am Enough When I was a Child	The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig In Every House on Every Street Supertato	Here We Are The Journey Home The Street Beneath My Feet The Seeds of Friendship The Secret Sky Garden	Ug: Boy Genius of the Stone Age	Who Let the Gods Out? Fleeced! Greek Myths	Freedom Unheard Voices
Driving Subject Enquiry Questions	What is your name? How old are you? What is your favourite toy or activity? What is your favorite color? What is your favourite food? What is your favourite animal? Can you tell me about something you learned today? What do you like to do when you play outside? Can you tell me about a special place you like to go?	Who are the people in your family? Who are your friends? What do you like to do with your family? What do you like to do with your friends? How do you show love to your family and friends? Can you describe a special memory you have with someone in your family or a friend? How do you solve problems with your friends? How do you share and take turns with your friends?	Is there any difference between schools today (in our local area) and in the time of your parents and grandparents? Would you prefer to have been in (our local) schools in the past or now? Were there times in the past when life at (our local) school was particularly unusual and why was this?	Why did people move here? Where did they move from and why? How did their lives change? Who first settled here? How did people spend their leisure time? How did they travel here?	What was new about the New Stone Age? Which was better to make and use – bronze or iron? How did bronze replace stone in the Bronze Age? Why bury gold and not come back for it? When do you think it was better to live – Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age? If you were Julius Caesar, would you have invaded Britain in 55BC?	Why and how did the Olympic Games start in Ancient Greece? What were the main features of the Games? Why were the Games so important to the people of Ancient Greece and for so long? What can the Games tell us about life, society and culture in Ancient Greece? Why and how are the ancient Olympic Games still relevant to the modern Olympics and our society today? What are the similarities and differences between the ancient and modern Olympic Games?	What was the transatlantic slave trade? What was life like for slaves? Who were the abolitionists? Is there any slavery in the world today? How was Liverpool involved in the slave trade?
AUTUMN 2	Wonderful World	Celebrations	HISTORY Taking Flight	HISTORY Fire! Fire!	GEOGRAPHY Where Does Our Food Come From?	GEOGRAPHY Ancient Greece	HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY Beyond the Silk Road; Islamic Civilisation
Core Texts	My Big Book of Outdoors The Leaf Thief The Very Helpful Hedgehog	Room on the Broom Remember, Remember	Amelia Earhart Rosie Revere Engineer	Toby and the Great Fire Samuel Pepys Diary Vlad and the Great Fire of London	The Promise	Who Let the Gods Out? Fleeced! Greek Myths	Stories from the Silk Road The Firework Maker's Daughter
	What is the world like? What is the sky like during the day and night? What are the different types of weather? What are some things we can find in nature? What is the sun and the moon? What are some different animals and what do they look like? What are some different plants and what do they look like? What are the different seasons? What are the different types of homes for people and animals? What is your favourite thing about our world?	What is a celebration? What are some different celebrations that people have? What is a birthday party? What is Christmas? What is Hanukkah? What is Diwali? What is Easter? What is Chinese New Year? What is a special celebration you have heard about that you would like to learn more about?	How did people travel long distances in the past? What was the first aeroplane like and when was it invented? How has air travel changed over the years? Who was Amelia Earhart? How did Amelia Earhart get interested in flying? What was Amelia Earhart's most famous flight and why is it significant? What happened to Amelia Earhart during her last flight and what happened to her plane?	Could anyone have stopped what happened on 2 September 1666? What did people do first? What was it like at the height of the fire? What was left of London? What did the King do to make London better? Who is Samuel Pepys?	Where do fruits and vegetables grow? What is a farm and where are they located? What are the main types of crops grown in different parts of the world? How do food products get from the farm to the grocery store? What are the main ways of producing food for human consumption? Can you grow your own food at home? How? What is food import and export, and why is it important? What is food transportation and why is it important? What are the advantages and disadvantages of eating food from far away places?	What was the geography of Ancient Greece like? How did the mountainous terrain of Ancient Greece impact transportation and communication? What were some of the most important natural resources in Ancient Greece? How did the geography and climate of Ancient Greece impact agriculture and food production? What was the role of rivers and coastline in Ancient Greek society and culture?	What was life like on the silk road? How did the Silks Road influence the spread of Islam? What impact did the Islamic civilization have on the other cultures along the Silk Road? How did the Islamic empire benefit from its involvement in the Silk Road trade? What can we learn about the founder of Islam? How did goods and ideas move around the early Islamic Civilisation? What does Al-Mansur's city tell us about him as a ruler? Who were the citizens of Baghdad? How did life in the Golden Age of Baghdad compare to life in the Dark Age of Anglo-Saxon England? What caused the end of Early Islamic Civilisation in Baghdad? How did the Silk Road contribute to the development of Islamic art, architecture and science?
SPRING 1	Rhyme Time	'Tis the Season	GEOGRAPHY Wild Weather	GEOGRAPHY On Safari	HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY Weston Rhyn Explorers	The Changing Role of Women	HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY Life and legacy (Darwin)
Core Texts	Nursery Rhymes	One Snowy Night Bear's Winter House	Ruby's Worry Lila and the Secret of Rain	Anansi and the Golden Pot Anna Hibiscus	The Boy Who Loved Maps	Suffragette: the battle for equality Secret Suffragette	Floodland The Last Wild



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				Handa's Surprise		Make More Noise	
	Can you sing me a nursery rhyme? Can you act out the actions in your favorite nursery rhyme? Have you heard any new nursery rhymes that you would like to share with me? How can you make up your own nursery rhyme? Can you spot rhyming words in nursery rhymes?	What are the seasons? Can you name the four seasons? What is the weather like in each season? What types of clothes do we wear in each season? What are some special events or holidays that happen in each season? Can you tell me about a special memory you have from a season?	What is wild weather? Can you name some different types of wild weather? What causes thunder and lightning during a storm? How does wind help in spreading wild weather? What are tornadoes and where do they usually occur? Why do we have hurricanes in some places? Can you explain what a blizzard is and where it occurs? What is a drought and how does it affect people and nature? What can we do to prepare for wild weather? Can you tell me a story about a wild weather event you have heard or experienced?	Where is Africa? Where is Kenya? What is the climate like in Kenya? What is the capital city of Kenya? What are some of the main animals found in Kenya's wildlife? What is the highest mountain and largest lake in Kenya? What are the similarities and difference between Kenya and the UK?	Where is Weston Rhyn located? What was life like in Weston Rhyn a long time ago? What are the local traditions and celebrations in Weston Rhyn? What kind of jobs do people have in Weston Rhyn? What kind of buildings and landmarks are in Weston Rhyn? How did Weston Rhyn change over time, and why?	Who were the suffragettes, and what did they fight for? When and where did the suffrage movement begin, and how did it spread? What were some of the tactics used by suffragettes to draw attention to their cause? What were the traditional roles of women in society during the 19th and early 20th centuries? What was the impact of the suffrage movement on women's rights in the early 20th century? Who were some of the most well-known suffragettes and what role did they play in the movement; Emmeline Pankhurst? What legacy has the suffrage movement left for future generations of women and for society as a whole? What was the impact of the feminist movement of the 1960s and 1970s on women's roles in society? What challenges do women still face in society today, and how are they working to overcome them?	Who was Charles Darwin and what was his most famous contribution to science? What role did Shrewsbury play in Charles Darwin's education and early scientific explorations? What was the voyage of the HMS Beagle, and why was it significant for Charles Darwin's career? How did Charles Darwin develop his theory of evolution through natural selection? How did Charles Darwin's theory of evolution through natural selection challenge the prevailing views of his time? What was the impact of Charles Darwin's theory of evolution on the scientific community and society as a whole?
SPRING 2	Food for thought	How Does your Garden Grow?	HISTORY Let's Play	HISTORY Dungeons and Dragons	HISTORY The Local Railway	GEOGRAPHY What a Wonderful World; Natural Disasters	HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY Life and Legacy; Darwin
Core Texts	The Very Hungry Caterpillar We're going on an Egg Hunt	Jasper's Beanstalk The Very Tiny seed Jack and the Beanstalk	Traction Man	The Egg The Dragon Machine Castles- Non Fiction	The Railway Children	The Last Wolf The Tin Forest	Pig Heart Boy
	History: What was your favorite food when you were a baby? What types of food did your grandparents enjoy when they were young? How has the way we prepare and eat	What do plants and flowers need to grow? What colours are flowers? How do bees and butterflies help	What kind of toys did children play with in the past that are different from the toys we play with today? How were toys made a long time ago and how are they made now? What are the similarities and	Who built the first castles in the UK and why? What features do castles built by the Normans have? What is the structure of a medieval	When did the railway arrive in the locality and why did it come then? What did those building the local railway hope to achieve? Who actually used the railway? How did the railway keep going?	What is a natural disaster? What are the causes of natural disasters? How do natural disasters affect people and their communities; what are some of the long-term effects of natural disasters on communities? What are some of the ways	How did Charles Darwin's work continue to influence the field of biology and scientific thinking in the years after his death? How did Charles Darwin's childhood in Shrewsbury shape his life and scientific interests? How has Charles Darwin's connection to Shrewsbury contributed to the local history and cultural heritage of the
SUMMER 1	food changed since you were a baby? Geography: What kind of food do people eat in different countries? What kind of fruits and vegetables grow in different parts of the world? Which countries have foods that are similar to the ones we eat at home? Animal Magic	plants and flowers? Can you name some plants and flowers? How do we take care of plants and flowers?	differences between toys now and in the past? How have different materials, such as wood and plastic, impacted the creation of toys over time? How has technology influenced the design and production of toys?	castle? Who lived in medieval castles? Who built Chirk Castle? What is the significance of Chirk Castle?	What were the main changes that the railway brought? Why did so many people stop using their local railway? What can we learn about the railway from what survives today? GEOGRAPHY	communities can prepare for natural disasters; can they be prevented or minimised? If so, How? What is the role of government and other organizations in responding to natural disasters? How do natural disasters impact the environment?	town? What influence did the local flora and fauna of Shrewsbury have on Charles Darwin's development of the theory of evolution? How did the people and community of Shrewsbury respond to Charles Darwin's theories and scientific work? What legacy has Charles Darwin left in Shrewsbury, and how is his life and work remembered in the town today?



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			The Seaside; Holidays	A Kingdom United	Active Planet; Mountains and Volcanoes	Advanced Alchemy; Medicine Through the Ages	Voyage of Discovery; Titanic
Core Texts	We're Going on a Bear Hunt The Lazy Ladybird Giraffes Can't Dance	Goldilocks and the Three Bears Little Red Riding Hood Hansel and Gretel	The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch Flotsam Storm Whale	Maps of the United Kingdom Katie in London Katie in Scotland Katie Morag Island Stories	The Pebble in my Pocket	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone	The Titanic Detective Agency
	What is your favorite animal? What sound does a lion make? What color is a zebra? What does a monkey eat? How many legs does a spider have? What does a giraffe use its long neck for? What do cows give us? What do birds use their wings for? Where do fish live? What do elephants use their trunks for? What do bees make? What do butterflies start out as?	Geography: What country is Weston Rhyn located in? What is the weather like in Weston Rhyn? What kind of animals can you find in Weston Rhyn? What kind of plants and trees can you find in Weston Rhyn? Where are the woods in Weston Rhyn? What is your route to school?	What are the features of a seaside holiday from three different eras? When and why did seaside holidays become popular? What were seaside holidays like 100 years ago? What are the similarities and differences between seaside holidays now and in the past? How is the sea represented and where is it found on a map?	What countries form the United Kingdom? What are the capital cities of the United Kingdom? What Islands and Seas surround the United Kingdom? What are the key identities of each country; what are their similarities and differences? Case Study: England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales	What is a mountain, how is it formed and what are the key features; what are the main continental mountain ranges? What is a volcano, where are famous volcanoes around the world and how can we describe where they are in relation to the northern and southern hemispheres and the equator? How can we identify hills, mountains and volcanoes on OS maps and why do we use contour lines? What causes a volcano to erupt and what happens? What are the different types of volcanoes and what are their key features? Why do people live in volcanic areas and how do people and the environment adapt? Case Study: Snowdon, Mount Everest, Hunga-Tonga-Hunga-Ha'apai	Is there a common cause of illness that recurs throughout history? How did people try to prevent the spread of some illnesses in each period of history? Can you think of some historic innovations that are still in use today? Which time period was the most important for new developments? Which medical innovation or discovery do you think was most important?	What was the Titanic and why was it famous? What was the role of Liverpool in the construction and departure of the Titanic? When and where did the Titanic sink? What was the impact of the Titanic disaster on Liverpool's maritime industry? Who were some of the passengers on the Titanic and what was their reason for traveling? What were the conditions like on the Titanic during its voyage? What lessons were learned from the sinking of the Titanic and how did it impact future sea travel?
SUMMER 2	Dinosaur Roar	Bugs and Slugs	HISTORY Journey Through Space	HISTORY Adventurers and Explorers	HISTORY Vikings	GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY Rainforest	HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY Voyage of Discovery; Titanic
Core Texts	Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs The Worrysaurus	Superworm Yucky Worms	Man on the moon Then Marvelous Moon Map	The Secret of Black Rock	Arthur and the Golden Rope The 1000 Year Old Boy	The Vanishing Rainforest	The Titanic Detective Agency
	What are dinosaurs? What did dinosaurs eat? How big were dinosaurs? What kinds of dinosaurs were there? What is the name of the biggest dinosaur? Did dinosaurs fly? What happened to the dinosaurs? Can we see dinosaurs today?	What are insects? How many legs do insects have? What do insects eat? How do insects move? What colours are insects? What are some common insects you see outside? Do all insects fly? Do insects have families and friends like humans do?	How did Galileo's telescope advance our understanding of space? What were the events of the Apollo 11 moon landing? Who was Neil Armstrong? How did Katherine Johnson advance space exploration? How has space travel changed over three different eras?	What is a pirate? What were the main events of Grace O'Malley's life? What happened when Grace met Elizabeth !? What was it like to live at the time when Grace met Elizabeth !? Should we call Grace O'Malley a pirate?	What were the Vikings religious beliefs? What was family life like for the Vikings? Who was Alfred the Great and why was he so important? What did the Vikings bring to Britain? How did the Viking era come to an end and who took over?	What is a rainforest and where can you find them? What is the climate like in the rainforest? Why are rainforests important to our planet; what is the canopy layer and why is it important to the rainforest ecosystem? How do people who live in or near the rainforest use its resources; how did Maya settlers survive in the rainforest? What types of plants and animals can be found in the rainforest and what are they used for? What can we do to help protect the rainforest and its inhabitants? How are rainforests different from other types of forests?	What was the route of the Titanic's maiden voyage? What is an iceberg, how are icebergs formed and where are they typically found? Where did the Titanic sink? How do climate change and global warming impact iceberg formation and movement?