

QUEEN EMMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Year 4: 2023 - 2024

Subjects	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
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Topic and Outcome	Romans and their Rivals		How Do We Shape our Land?	Race to the Pole	The Golden Age of Islam	Across the Atlantic
English	Fiction: Diary with a Historical Setting Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Non-Fiction: Persuasive advert linked to selling Roman Houses Grammar Focus: Expanded noun phrases Poetry: Cinquain	Fiction: Roman myth - Sisyphus Grammar Focus: Inverted commas in speech (interrupted speech) Non-Fiction: Newpaper report about Roman Invasion Grammar Focus: Direct and reported speech	Fiction: Narrative based on 'Farther' by Grahame Baker- Smith Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Expanded noun phrases with prepositions Direct speech Non-Fiction: Formal letter linked to local development Grammar Focus: Use of subordinating and co- ordinating conjunctions	Fiction: Shackleton's Diary – Diary Entry Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Expanded noun phrases with prepositions Reported speech Poetry: Free Verse Poems	Fiction/ Poetry: Stories from Different Cultures (Arabian Nights) Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Expanded noun phrases with prepositions Direct speech Non-Fiction: Information brochure (Baghdad) Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Use of subordinating conjunctions	Non-Fiction: Biography - Famous North American person - Nikola Tesla Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Expanded noun phrases with prepositions Subordinate clauses leading onto relative clauses (Year 5) Fiction: Journey story based on 'Zereffa Giraffa' by Dianne Hofmeyr Grammar Focus: Fronted adverbials Expanded noun phrases with prepositions Direct speech
Punctuation and Spelling	Punctuation Capital Letters Full Stops Question Marks Exclamation Marks Commas for Fronted Adverbials Spelling Spell words which include: - see Y3/4 National Curriculum for list of spelling patterns Use a dictionary – use up to first three letters of a word to check spelling	Punctuation Capital Letters Full Stops Question Marks Exclamation Marks Inverted Commas – for direct speech + comma after the reporting clause Spelling Wider range of prefixes and suffixes: auto-/anti-/super-/ -ly/-ous Spell words which include -see Y3 / 4 National Curriculum for list of spelling patterns	Punctuation Capital Letters Full Stops Question Marks Exclamation Marks Accurate use of the possessive apostrophe + use of possessive apostrophe with plural words Spelling Spell words which include: -see Y3/4 National Curriculum for list of spelling patterns Homophones and near homophones	Punctuation Capital Letters Full Stops Question Marks Exclamation Marks Inverted Commas – for direct speech + comma after the reporting clause Commas to separate items in a list Spelling Use of 'a' / 'an' – depending on whether next word begins with a vowel or consonant Spell words which include - see Y3 / 4 National Curriculum for list of spelling patterns	Punctuation Capital Letters Full Stops Question Marks Exclamation Marks Inverted Commas – for direct speech + comma after the reporting clause Spelling Word Families Spell words which include -see Y3/4 NC for list of spelling patterns	Punctuation Capital Letters Full Stops Question Marks Exclamation Marks Accurate use of the possessive apostrophe + use of possessive apostrophe with plural words Spelling Spell words which include -see Y3/4 National Curriculum for list of spelling patterns
Whole Class Guided Reading Texts	'How to Train Your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell	'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl	'Quest' by Aaron Baker	'Zeraffa Giraffa' by Dianne Hofmeyer	'Charlotte's Web' by E.B. White	,
Raving About Reading Texts	'Bill's New Frock' by Anne Fine	'Astrosaurs' by Steve Cole	'Varjak Paw' by S.F. Said	'Why the Whales Came' by Michael Morpurgo	'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman	'Anisha the Accidental Detective' by Serena Patel



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	Number: Addition and Subtraction	Number: Addition and Subtraction	Number: Multiplication and Division	Number: Multiplication and Division	Number: Fractions	Division with Remainders	
Mathematics	Number: Place Value	Geometry: Area and Perimeter		Geometry: Co-ordinates	Geometry: Properties of Shapes - Symmetry		
	Measurement: Money and Time	Number: Multiplication and Division					
Science	Animals, including Humans	Sound	States of Matter	Electricity	Living Things and Habitats	Living Things and Habitats	
Computing	Purple Mash 4.7 Effective Searches 4.9 Making Music	Purple Mash 4.1 Coding	Purple Mash 4.2 Online Safety 4.8 Hardware Investigators	Purple Mash 4.3 Spreadsheets	Purple Mash 4.4 Writing for Different Audiences 4.5 Logo	Purple Mash 4.5 Logo 4.6 Animation	
History	Invasion: The Roman Empire and its Impact on Britain				Civilisation: Achievements and Impact of 'The Golden Age of Islam'		
Geography			Locational Knowledge / Human and Physical Geography / Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: Changes in Land Use / Local Area Chalk Pit Visit	Human and Physical Geography / Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: Climate Zones, Biomes, Vegetation Belts, Time Zones		Place Knowledge / Human and Physical Geography: Comparison of East Anglia and region of North America - California	
RE	Christianity: Leaders – What difference did Paul's conversion make to Christians?	Christianity: Beliefs in Action – What do Christians mean when they talk about the Kingdom of God?	Christianity: Leaders - Could Jesus really perform miracles?	Islam: Impact on Individuals – How do Muslims show their submission and obedience to Allah?	Islam: Leaders – Why do Muslims call Muhammed the 'Seal of the Prophets?'	Cross Religion: Big Questions - How and why do people help those without a home?	
Art	Drawing: Proportion and Scale, Self-Portraits and Grid Drawings Focus Artist: Pablo Picasso		Drawing: Observational drawing of natural objects, investigate shading techniques to create tone 3D and Sculpture: Create sculptures using natural materials, clay techniques to create clay tree faces		Collage: Creating geometric patterns and mosaics (link to Golden Age of Islam theme) Focus Artist: Antoni Gaudi / Alma Thomas	Painting: Review tints and shades, introduce watercolours, create mixed media landscape art Focus Artist: Ted Harrison	
DT		Design, Make and Evaluate: Textiles – 2D shape to 3D Product (A Christmas Decoration)	Focus Artist: Andy Goldsworthy	Design, Make and Evaluate: Technical Knowledge – Electrical Systems / Simple Circuits and Switches (A Torch)	Design, Make and Evaluate: Cooking and Nutrition - Healthy and Varied Diets (Middle Eastern Flatbread and Toppings)		
Music	Unit 1 – Just Three Notes	Unit 2 – Global Pentatonics	Unit 3 – Whole Class Instrumental Tuition: Glockenspiels 2	Unit 4 – Time for a Song	Unit 5 – Whole Class Instrumental Tuition: Recorders 3	Unit 6 – Whole Class Instrumental Tuition: Recorders 4	
PSHCE	Citizenship : Rights, Rules and Responsibilties	Healthy and Safer Lifestyles: Personal Safety + 1 week blocked unit in Anti-Bullying Week Myself and My Relationships: Anti-Bullying	Myself and My Relationships: Family and Friends	Myself and My Relationships: Managing Change	Healthy and Safer Lifestyles: Relationships and Sex Education	Healthy and Safer Lifestyles: Drug Education	
	+ 1 day unit (Young Enterprise Day) on Economic Well-Being: Financial Capability						
	Ball skills: Y3/4	Football: Year 3/4	Gymnastics: Year 4	Gymnastics: Year 4	Tennis: Year 4	Rounders: Year 3/4	



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PE	Dance: Year 4	Dance: Year 4	Hockey: Year 3/4	Fitness: Year 3/4	Athletics: Year 4	Golf: Year 3/4
French	Je me presente (Presenting Myself) La Phonetique: lesson 2 (Phonics and Pronunciation)	Les saisons (Seasons)	Les Legumes (Vegetables)	Ma Familie (Family)	En Classe (Classroom)	Au Salon de the (Tea room)
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Curriculum	History Off the Page – Roman	School Anti-Bullying Week	Visit to Chalk Pits	Visit to Scott Polar Museum	Visit to Cambridge Mosque	
Enrichment	Day			School Book Week	Sports Week	
Activities				Sonson Book Week		
School Events						

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