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Year 5 Curriculum Map 2026 2027

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
English	Writing Genres • Suspense Story • Fables and Folk Tales • Playscripts • Explanation Text • Poetry (Haiku, Cinquain & Sonnets) Core Texts The Promise by Nicola Davies The Boy at the Back of the Class Where the Mountains Meet the Moon Coraline by Neil Gaiman Macbeth (Marcia Williams) The Tale of the Easington Hare (folk tale) Dracula Spoken Language • When listening, can evaluate the contributions of others, respectfully making observations that challenge or pose alternative viewpoints. • Uses Standard English in formal situations. • Can use effective rhetorical questions in debates and discussions. • Combines vocabulary choices with gestures and movement to take on and maintain a role. • Uses and gives feedback to make improvements to performances. • Can and perform a poem off by heart individually, considering expression, pace, intonation and volume.		
Maths	Our mathematics curriculum is designed around a spiral curriculum model, ensuring that foundational mathematical concepts are regularly revisited, reinforced, and deepened throughout the academic year. We cycle back to key areas (such as numbers up to one million, formal written methods for long multiplication and division, fractions, decimals, percentages, and multi-step problem solving) which helps learners build deep conceptual understanding, prevents knowledge regression, and allows children to confidently apply prior knowledge to increasingly abstract mathematical reasoning and fluency.		
Science	How do the hidden properties of materials determine their uses and how they change? What happens to substances when we heat or mix them?	How does the movement of Earth and other planets shape our experience of time, seasons and the cosmos? How do unseen forces shape the way objects move and behave?	How do different living things pass on the torch of life to the next generation? How does environmental change impact life on earth?
History	What Were the Wonders of the Shang Dynasty?	How has the British monarchy changed over time?	Who were the Windrush generation?
Geography	How do China's diverse landscapes shape the lives of its people?	How does our everyday shopping connect us to the world?	How do geography, culture and history shape daily life in the Caribbean?
DT	Can I design and make a carousel?	Create a moving monster picture book for a younger child.	What are the flavours of the Caribbean?

Art	Can I create my own Chinese dragon (sculpture)	How have portraits changed over the years?	Op Art
Music	Music Remixed Music project towards Christmas performance	Recorder stage 2 Carnival Time	Discovering Grime Music project towards end of year whole school performance.
R.E.	1. Buddhism: How does the Buddhist belief in Karma shape the way a person chooses to live? 2. Christianity: How does Mary's story show Christians that Christmas is a time of hope for everyone? (Link to the true meaning of Christmas: joy, peace and love).	1. Christianity: Northern Saints How did the complex artwork created in Saint Bede's lifetime help people understand God? 2. Christianity: How did the events of the Last Supper change the meaning of Easter for Christians?	1. Islam: Motivation What does it mean to be a Muslim in County Durham today? 2. Religious Diversity – An investigation into 'Celebration' (links to Islam)
P.E.	1 – Handball 2 – Dance	1 – Gymnastics 2 – OAA	1 – Netball 2 – Cricket
PSHE/ RSE	Living in the Wider World: Aiming High! Think Positive	Digital Wellbeing Be Yourself	Diverse Britain Relationships: VIPs (Very Important People in my life)
Computing	Computing systems and networks: Search engines and digital system Creating media:	Programming A: Data and information:	Creating media: Programming B:
French	Mr French Units 1. Clothes and colours. 2. Weather.	Mr French Units 1. In the city & directions. 2. The body.	Stage 4 Units PLN 1. Cafe culture- food, opinions, conversation. 2. Best Day Ever- visit a funfair.
Cultural Capital Enrichment	Visit the Oriental Museum in Durham to learn about the Shang Dynasty. Lead a Remembrance Day assembly for the whole school and invited veterans. Applications to be a broadcaster for Radio Rumble Christmas Craft Sale.	Learn about and support the work of the Fair Trade Association and run a Fair Trade tuck shop. Perform a poem chorally in front of an audience. Visit the Life Centre and experience its Planetarium. Learn to play the recorder. Visit the theatre.	Visit a local mosque. Take part in a water sports adventure day at Seaham Harbour. Take part in Shotton Hall Live music festival Enjoy live musical concerts (folk and brass). Research, taste, cook and enjoy some healthy food using Caribbean flavours and ingredients.

	Perform in a Christmas Concert for parents, singing traditional and modern songs. Apply to be a broadcaster, reporter or researcher for Radio Rumble. Learn some local folk tales and using them to inspire our own writing.	Create a portrait of a friend or family member in the style of a famous portrait artist.	Learn about the Windrush generation and what they contributed to our country.
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