



English Curriculum for Year 5 2020-21

Topic	Off with her head!		Amazon Adventure		Crime and Punishment Plastic Pollution	
	Autumn 1 (3 days + 7 weeks)	Autumn 2 (7 weeks)	Spring 1 (6 weeks)	Spring 2 (6 weeks)	Summer 1 (6 weeks)	Summer 2 (6 weeks + 3 days)
Class Novel and additional texts	The Nowhere Emporium By Ross Mackenzie	Chosen by the children Orphan's of the Tide By Struan Murray Curiosity, The Story of the Mars Rover by Markus Motum	The Explorer by Katherine Rundell	Kensuke's Kingdom By Micheal Morpurgo Various non-fiction texts about the Mayans	Holes By Louis Sacher Gorilla By Anthony Browne	Children to choose
Purpose	Writing to Entertain Narrative Poetry	Writing to Discuss Report Writing to Inform Explanation linked to science – Curiosity	Writing to Entertain Narrative Poetry	Writing to Inform Recount Writing to Inform Report	Writing to Entertain Narrative Writing to Entertain Poetry	Writing to Persuade Speech Writing to Inform Biography
Focus	Story linked to The Blue Umbrella 4 weeks The River by Valarie Bloom 2 weeks	Is screen use making children lazy? Who was the best Tudor Ruler? 3 weeks Explanation linked to science – How a robot dog works Curiosity, the Mars Rover 3 weeks	Story linked to the Rainforest Based on The Explorer 4 weeks Poetry – research, read, review, perform, write 2 weeks	Scott of Antarctica 3 weeks Information text Emperor Penguins The Mayans 3 week	Gorilla 4 weeks Poetry – The Highway Man 2 weeks	Refugees Plastic Pollution 3 weeks David Attenborough 3 weeks
Text features	Use paragraphs that generally make sense when read alone Description – character, setting, mood Select high-level vocabulary to enhance meaning Structure of writing supports the reader					
Grammar and punctuation links	Commas for meaning Relative clause Adverbs (surely, perhaps) Modal verbs Parenthesis – commas, brackets and dashes	Commas for meaning Parenthesis – commas, brackets and dashes Adverbial of time Tenses – past perfect Devices to build cohesion	Commas for meaning Relative clause Adverbs (surely, perhaps) Modal verbs Parenthesis – commas, brackets and dashes	Commas for meaning Parenthesis – commas, brackets and dashes Adverbial of time Tenses – past perfect Devices to build cohesion	Commas for meaning Relative clause Adverbs (surely, perhaps) Modal verbs Parenthesis – commas, brackets and dashes	Commas for meaning Parenthesis – commas, brackets and dashes Adverbial of time Tenses – past perfect Devices to build cohesion
Whole school text	Linked to Black History Month 1 week			Science Week 1 week		

Terminology – cohesion, ambiguity, parenthesis, bracket, dash, modal verb, relative clause, relative pronoun: