

Curriculum Overview

Academic Year: 2026-2027	Year 4/5 Maple Class						
Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
TOPIC History / Geography 	Ancient Greeks <i>How has Ancient Greece influenced the world we live in today?</i>	Europe Greece <i>How does England compare to Greece?</i>	The History of Space Travel <i>How did space travel change the world?</i>	United Kingdom East of England <i>Is East Hertfordshire a good county to live in?</i>	Shang Dynasty <i>Why is the Shang Dynasty important to modern times?</i>	South America The Amazon Rainforest <i>What are the implications of deforestation and how can people help?</i>	
Art / D&T 	Drawing and Painting Wassily Kandishky Abstract art	Textiles Combining different fabric shapes	Drawing and Painting Van Gogh Post-Impressionism / Neo-Impressionism	Electrical Systems Simple Circuits and Switches Torch	Drawing Trees in Art Various artists including Piet Mondrian	Food Celebrating culture and seasonality Patties	
MUSIC 	Dancing in The Street	Unlocking Vocal Potnetial	Aaron Copland - Rodeo – Hoe-Down	Carnival Time	Maple Class performance	The Rockscool® Ukulele Method 1	

ENGLISH 	Fiction Narrative – character description Non-Fiction Instructional text Poetry by Heart Performance poem	Fiction Myths, traditional tales / legends Non-Fiction Diary Letter (informal) Biography and autobiography Poetry – Cinquain	Fiction Narrative – setting description Non-Fiction Letter (formal) Newspaper report Performance poem Poetry by Heart	Fiction – Narrative Non-Fiction Balanced Arguments - Discussion Poetry – spoken word / rap / riddles	Fiction Writing and performing a play Non-Fiction Non-chronological reports	Fiction Stories – suspense and mystery Non-Fiction Explanation texts
Class books	The Odyssey Gillian Cross	Coming to England Floella Benjamin	Macbeth Shakespeare	Cosmic Frank Cottrell Boyce	High Rise Mystery Sharna Jackson	Oranges in No Man’s Land Elizabeth Laird
MATHS 	Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Length, Perimeter and Area Properties of Shape		Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Decimals, Position & Direction		Decimals & Percentages, / Money, Statistics, Converting units and volume Properties of Shape	
FRENCH 	Phonetics & Presenting myself	Les Jeux olympiques (The Olympic Games)	Family La famille	Clothes Les vêtements	At the tea room Au salon de thé	Do you have a pet? As tu un animal

RE Judaism Christianity Sikhism 	Year 4: JUDAISM How special is the relationship Jews have with God? Year 5: SIKHISM How far would a Sikh go for his/her religion?	Year 4: CHRISTIANITY What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today? Year 5: CHRISTIANITY Where does the Christian Bible come from? Is the Christmas story true?	Year 4: JUDAISM How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do? Year 5: SIKHISM Are Sikh stories important today?	Year 4: CHRISTIANITY Is forgiveness always possible for Christians? Year 5: CHRISTIANITY Easter Did God intend Jesus to be crucified and if so was Jesus aware of this?	Year 4: JUDAISM What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God? Year 5: SIKHISM What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?	Year 4: CHRISTIANITY Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians? Year 5: CHRISTIANITY What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?
PSHE 	Me and my relationships	Valuing difference	Keeping myself safe	Rights and responsibilities	Being my best	Growing and changing
PE 	Yoga Forest Hockey Tag rugby	Yoga Forest Basketball Football	Dance Y4 Forest Gymnastics Dodgeball	Dance Y4 Forest Netball / Handball General fitness	Yoga Dance Y5 Forest Cricket	Yoga Dance Y5 Forest Athletics Rounders
COMPUTING 	Online Safety	Computing Systems and Networks – Systems and Searching	Creating Media – Digital Photography	Programming A – Selection in physical computing.	Data and Information – Flat-file Databases / Data Logging	Creating Media – Introduction to Vector Graphics

SCIENCE – Y5 	All living things and their habitats - Rainforest animals and adaptations	Properties and changes of materials: Solids, Liquids, gases Dissolving	Earth and Space	Forces	Animals including humans Changes and reproduction Changes as humans develop to old age
SCIENTISTS	David Attenborough Richard Evans Schultes Jane Colden		Katherine Johnson Black holes and gravity with Stephen Hawking	Galileo Galilei	Fleming's antibiotics
SCIENCE – Y4 	Animal and plant classifications Using a key Habitats	Electricity	Sound	Properties of materials	Animals, including humans: human digestion, teeth and food chains