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	Autumn 1 (7 weeks)	Autumn 2 (7 weeks)	Spring 1 (6 weeks)	Spring 2 (5 weeks)	Summer 1 (7 weeks)	Summer 2 (7 weeks)
Topic Title	<i>Enchanted Worlds</i>	<i>Ancient Greece</i>	<i>Volatile Earth</i>	<i>The Romans</i>	<i>Rivers</i>	<i>Nibblers and Nashers</i>
Writing stimuli	Into the Forest – Anthony Browne Illustrated Grimm's Fairy Tales (Usborne Illustrated Story Collections)	Journey – Aaron Becker Illustrated Stories from the Greek Myths (Usborne Illustrated Story Collections) Mythologica – Victoria Topping and Stephen Kershaw	Firework Maker's Daughter – Philip Pullman	Escape from Pompeii – Christina Balit	The Vanishing Trick – Jenni Spangler	Inside the Villains – Clotilde Perrin Varjak Paw – S.F. Said
Writing	Narrative: Into the Forest (Anthony Browne) <i>4 weeks</i> Setting description: Harry Potter & the Philosopher's Stone (JK Rowling) <i>1 week</i> Poetry: Jabberwocky (Lewis Carroll) <i>2 weeks</i>	Playscripts: Journey (Aaron Becker) <i>3 weeks</i> Character description: Mythologica (Victoria Topping and Stephen Kershaw) <i>2 weeks</i> Public speaking: Theme TBC <i>1 week</i> Assessments <i>1 week</i>	Diary entry: Firework Maker's Daughter (Philip Pullman) <i>3 weeks</i> Descriptive writing (design and describe a firework): Firework Maker's Daughter (Philip Pullman) <i>2 weeks</i> Instructions: Create a design a board game	Historical narrative: Escape from Pompeii (Christina Balit) <i>4 weeks</i> Assessments <i>1 week</i>	The Vanishing Trick: Persuasive letter (Jenni Spangler) <i>4 weeks</i> Non Chronological Report: Rivers <i>3 weeks</i>	Biography: Inside the Villains (Clotilde Perrin) <i>3 weeks</i> Newspaper report: Varjak Paw (S.F. Said) <i>3 weeks</i> Assessments <i>1 week</i>
Cross curricular writing	Essay: What are the differences between Greece and the UK?		Non-chronological report: History – The Romans		Explanation: How does the digestive system work?	

Extended reading texts	Short stories – Illustrated Grimm's Fairy Tales (Usborne Illustrated Story Collections) Book – Hansel and Gretel (Anthony Browne) Poetry – Jabberwocky (Lewis Carroll) Excerpts – Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone (J.K. Rowling)	Short stories – Illustrated Stories from the Greek Myths (Usborne Illustrated Story Collections) Book – Mythologica (Victoria Topping and Stephen Kershaw) Information texts – Ancient Greece	Book – Firework Maker's Daughter (Philip Pullman) Information texts – Volcanoes and earthquakes Diary entry – KS2 diary account of the eruption of Vesuvius	Discussion – Were the Romans the best inventors in history? (Grammarsaurus) Joseph Coelho poems Classic – The Velveteen Rabbit (Margery Williams) The Vanishing Trick (Jenni Spangler)	Book – The Vanishing Trick (Jenni Spangler) Letter – tourist information Advert – Victorian academy Persuasive letter – deforestation (Grammarsaurus)	Biographies and short narratives – Inside the Villains (Clotilde Perrin) Book – Varjak Paw (S.F. Said) Explanation – digestive system (Grammarsaurus)
Maths	Place value Addition and subtraction	Area Multiplication and Division A	Multiplication and division B Length and perimeter	Fractions Decimals A Decimals B	Money Time Shape	Statistics Position and Direction
Science Grammarsaurus	Sound – What is sound?	States of matter – Can materials change state?	Living things and their habitats – Which living things can we identify in the local area?		Electricity – What is electricity?	Animals including humans – What happens to the food that we eat?
Art & Design Grammarsaurus	Textiles	Greek sculpture (clay)	Printmaking	Collage: Roman mosaic	Painting: rivers	Drawing
Computing Teach Computing	Computing systems and networks – The Internet	Understanding Audio Media	Programming A – repetition in shapes	Data and information – data logging	Creating media – photo editing	Programming B – repetition in games
D&T	Healthy foods – prepare, measure and assemble		Construction – earthquake-resistant buildings	Materials – Roman temples	Mechanics and electrics – electric cars	

Geography	Would you prefer to live in the UK or Greece?		How are earthquakes and volcanoes the same/different?		Rivers and the Water Cycle	
History Grammarsaurus		Ancient Greeks – What were the greatest achievements of Ancient Greece?		The Romans – How did the Romans impact Britain?		Local history: How has life changed for children in Caldecote?
Music Kapow	Body tuned percussion.	Rock and roll.	Samba and carnival sounds.	Adapting and transposing motifs.	Changes in pitch, tempo and dynamics.	Haiku, music and performance.
PE Cambridgeshire PE	Gymnastics: Principles of balance Games: Football	Games: Tag Rugby Dance: Rugby & the Haka	Games: Hocket OOA: Orienteering	Dance: Romans Games: Handball	Games: Rounders Gymnastics: Rotation	Athletics and Boccia: Pentathlon Games: Net games
PSHE PSHE Association	What are families like?	How can we be money wise?	How do we keep safe?	How do we belong to a community?	How can we manage our emotions?	Family and relationships; safety and the changing body; health and wellbeing
RE Cambridgeshire RE	What does it mean to be a Sikh?		Why pray?		Why is belief important to some people?	
Spanish Rachel Hawkes	Describing me and others; days of the week; talking about where I am from	Saying what I and others have; family; items in the classroom	Saying what I and others do; places	Saying how many and describing things; body parts; numbers to 50	Describing things and people; months of the year; birthday	Expressing likes and saying what I and others do; poem
Themed Days/Weeks	Black History Month 1 – 31 st October 2026 Theme: Honouring our communities Christmas card artwork (1 day)	Anti-Bullying week 16 – 20 th November 2026 Theme: Break the Silence	Children's Mental Health Week 1 – 7 th February 2027 Theme: TBC January 2027 - Public speaking competition – 'In school' event, followed by CB23 event.	World Book Day 4 th March 2027 Theme: TBC British Science (STEM) Week 5-14 th March 2027 Theme: TBC	Walk to School Week 19 – 23 rd May 2027 Theme: TBC HSBC Smart Money Workshops 21 – 26 th April 2027 Theme: TBC	National School Sports Week 15 – 22 nd June 2027 Theme: TBC

Year 4 Caldecote Character Education	Perform a poem to an audience	Create a fantasy creature and decide its rights	Design a peace garden and share it with the class	Create a digital self-portrait	Stay away from home for a night	Explore a natural habitat
Educational trip, event and visitor	Trip: Harry Potter Studios	Event: Ancient Greek Day	Event: Volcano Day Trip: 2nd Feb 2027 -Young Voices – London (School Choir - Music)	Trip: Science – TBC Event: Class assembly to parents Event: 25 th Feb 2027 - KS2 virtual dance experience with Royal Ballet and Opera	Trip: Burwell House Visitor: Local Finance professional (Smart Money workshops)	Visitor: Whipple Museum Visitor