

Larkfield Primary School
Year 5 and 6 Topic Overview

Cycle A		
Autumn	Spring	Summer
<p>Why did Britain go to war in 1939 and what happened next? <i>Boy in the Striped Pyjamas</i> <i>Extract Mr Tom</i> <i>WW1 poetry (Remembrance Day)</i> <i>Nonsense Poetry</i></p>	<p>America – the Land of the Free? <i>Holes</i> <i>The Man who Walked Between the Towers</i></p>	<p>Did the Earth move for the Maya? Going Solo Y6 <i>Boy Y5</i></p>
<p>What were the countries of Europe in 1939? Why did War break out? Allies and Axis – who was who? What was the Blitz and the Battle Of Britain? What was it like to be an Evacuee? What happened in Liverpool during the Blitz? What was rationed and why? What was Kristallnacht – what was it like to be Jewish in Germany during WWII? Who was Anne Frank? Why was the country of Malta awarded the George Cross? What happened on D Day – what did this lead to? What happened at Hiroshima and why?</p>	<p>New York – historical maps and photos Why did the Texans want independence from Mexico? Who fought in the Battle of the Alamo Civil Rights Movement</p>	<p>Who were the Maya? What sources of information do we have about the Maya? What were the religious beliefs of the Maya and who were their gods? Did the Maya play games? What was the Maya number system? What was the Maya writing system? What crops did the Maya grow and what did they eat? What happened to the Ancient Maya?</p>
<p>Countries of Europe (in 1939 and present day) Map skills Rebuilding of London – balance of housing, industrial development and open spaces. Green belts and New Towns Before and After WW11 bomb damage and rebuilding photos and maps (<i>Map skills</i>)</p>	<p>Where is America - what are the fifty states? Canyons and Valleys Where do people live in the USA (settlement patterns) The challenge of water (Floods and drought) Food and Farming New York over time (link to rebuilding London after WW11) (<i>Walk between Towers</i>) Where is the state of Texas – why are the four regions different?</p>	<p>Where did the Maya live – locate countries of Central America (link to USA topic) Volcanoes – where are they – how do they erupt? Why do people live near volcanoes? Where earthquakes are located, why do they happen and how? What is the aftermath of an earthquake? The San Andreas Fault, western USA, case study. (<i>USA</i>)</p> <p><i>Orienteering /Map skills extension 2020 only</i></p>

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Forces (WW2 link bomb blasts, Blitz St DVD) Light	Humans as Animals, Health and Circulation Onion Science (Holes)	Earth and Space
E Safety 3D modelling Sketchup	Controlling Devices Flowol Internet Research and Webpage design	Developing Games Scratch Radio Station
Sewing - Make Do and Mend?? Papier Mache - blimps Shelters Parachutes (Science link)	Packaging for Sploosh	Batik – Maya number system Food Technology – Mexican Food
Silhouettes (Blitz pictures) Propaganda Posters	The work of Andy Warhol Printing (packaging for Sploosh)	Perspective – Lowry Sketching (Tree avenue Botanic Gardens)
FIRST AID Emergencies – calling for help New beginnings – post war rebuilding of London (link to KS1 rebuild after Great Fire of London?) Empathy – how would you feel? Resilience to face devastation and destruction – when might we need resilience?	FIRST AID Bleeding Going for Goals – Rosa Parkes	FIRST AID Bites and Stings Moving On, SRE
Judaism What was Kristallnacht – what was it like to be Jewish in Germany during WWII?	Christianity – link to Civil Rights Movement	Creation Stories

Cycle B		
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<p>Who won the Race to the Poles? <i>Wolves in the Wall</i> <i>Sky Song</i> <i>WW1 poetry</i></p>	<p>Was Henry V111 Horrid? <i>Treason</i> <i>Macbeth (Tony Ross version)</i></p>	<p><i>How Democratic were the Greeks?</i> Y6 Going Solo Who Let the Gods Out?</p>
Race to the Poles	Horrid Henry	Myths Gods and Democracy
<p>Who was Ernest Shackleton? Why did he want to sail to Antarctica (Tudor exploration) Who went with him? (<i>WW1 English</i>) How did they all survive? What happened to the Endurance?</p>	<p>Who was HenryV111? Who were his wives? What did Henry want? Why did Henry fall out with Rome – did it matter? How did ordinary people live? Why did people want to explore the new World?(Shackleton) What did they find? Who was William Shakespeare? (Greek theatre)</p>	<p>What were city states? Would you prefer to live in Athens or Sparta? How do we know about the Ancient Greeks (pottery) Were the Greeks good sports? (Olympics) Did children go to school? How did the Greeks entertain themselves? Democracy – but I’m a slave! How did the Greeks entertain themselves? (link to Shakespeare)</p>
<p>Where are the Poles? What are the oceans and land masses at the Poles? What are lines of latitude and longitude? Why do we have seasons? What is it like to live in the Tundra? What clothes do people wear? Is all ice the same? Did the physical Geography of Antarctica affect the expedition? Mapping skills (Antarctica) Trade links, settlements and distribution of natural resources.</p>	Locational Geography – Linked to Exploration	<p>Where is Greece? Coastal Study – NW Coast including field work – to be determined. (Possible link Beach Schools/Forest Schools JF attending workshop in Fleetwood November 2019.)</p>

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Living things and their Habitats Electricity	Properties and Changes of Materials	Evolution and Inheritance
E Safety Spreadsheets	Kodo Programming Website Design	Scratch – Animated Stories Film Making
Design and Make Mukluks	Design and Make Tudor Homes	Greek Temples (supporting structures)
Modigliani Portraits	Tudor Portraits (Modigliani)	Pottery
FIRST AID Emergencies call for help Team work – getting on and falling out	FIRST AID Basic Life Support Good to be Henry – Consideration, feelings of others	FIRST AID Bites and Stings Democracy – Greek Style, Democracy as we know it SRE
Islam	Break with Rome	Greek Gods & Beliefs