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	Autumn	Spring	Summer		
Reception	Real World	Working World	Magical World		
	How am I the same as other people? How am I different to other people?	Who helps us? How can we help others?	How can we explore outdoors and make it feel magical?		
	Reception Trips/Visitors: Local church Warwickshire play village Cannon Hill and nature centre Fairy trail Buddhist Vihara Local residential home	 Police officer – visitor Firefighter – visitor Doctor – visitor Nurse – visitor 			
Year 1	Born and Bred	Let's go on a Safari	Holidays through recent History		
	How can we show how our local area has changed over time?	Where can we find different animals around the world?	How can we plan ways to keep our families entertained over the summer holiday?		
	History: Local history / local area Geography: Local area - use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment	Geography: 7 continents and 5 oceans, 4 countries of United Kingdom. Hot and cold areas of the world Should be geography content-heavy – looking at animals in specific environments – see geographical vocab. Zoom out with continents and oceans then zoom in to specific areas. Consider	Geography: weather, seasons, directions and following / creating routes. Contrasting UK to an area in Europe. History: events beyond living memory – the start of holidays		
	Year 1 Trips and Experiences: Selly Manor Bournville local walk Safari Park Library Weston-Super-Mare Animal Man	what is taught later, e.g. rainforest, Egypt (Nile), adaptation			
Year 2	Sparks will Fly	Famous Faces	Rural UK (UK geography)		
	Which had a greater lasting impact: The Gunpowder Plot or The Great Fire of London?	In what ways have great people changed the world?	Would you rather live in a rural or urban area?		
	History – significant events beyond living memory – Great Fire of London / Gunpowder plot	History; individuals of historical significance with comparisons. Changes within living memory.	Geog – key physical features and vocab; contrasting UK to an area in Europe; city vs countryside Note: healthy living done through PE and science		

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	Geography: capital city of UK as London, human geography of London, geographical vocab.			trip to countryside, countries, with city
	Year 2 Trips and Experiences: Drama Hut workshop – GFOL gallery Library Overnight residential Selly Manor			
Year 3	Scavengers and Settlers	Walk like an Egyptian Into the Forests		
	How did society develop through early pre-historic Britain?	What made the Egyptians such an advanced civilisation?	Why is the rainforest important?	
	History: Stone Age to Iron Age	Geography: rainforest; biomes, vegetation belts, climate zones. Contrast between 2 places. Location of equator, tropics. South	History: Ancient Civilization – Egyptians	
	Geography: geographical features of a location	America / UK contrast	Geography: River and its features.	
	Year 3 Trips and Experiences: Sarehole Mill (link to stone age) Rainforest workshop The British Museum – London Cadbury World Egyptian workshop Library			
Year 4	Ancient Greeks	Romans and impact on Britain	Keen to be Green	Life in modern
	How have the Ancient Greeks influenced the modern world?	What was the legacy of Roman Britain?	How can we make a difference to our planet?	Britain How are we similar and how are we different? • Migration – how did we get here? Why is the UK so diverse? • Zoom in to look at different cultures within our country and our school
	Year 4 Trips and Experiences: Greek workshop Residential to Ross-on-Wye Visit to a plastic recycling centre Library	1	1	1

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Year 5	History Detectives	Shake, Rattle and Roll	Islamic Golden Age
	Was life better in Anglo-Saxon or Viking Britain?	What was the impact of earthquakes, volcanoes and floods on the Earth and its inhabitants?	What did Early Islamic Civilization leave behind?
	History - Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots; the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor	Geography: Volcanoes and Earthquakes; water cycle	History: non-European
	Year 5 Trips and Experiences: Divergent Drama – volcano workshop Black Country Museum Saxon and Viking workshop Library		
Year 6	World War II	Brilliant Brum!	Let us Entertain You!
	What were the causes, key events and legacy of WWII?	Was the industrial revolution beneficial or detrimental to society?	How can we entertain different groups of our community?
	History: study post 1066 – WW2	History – local history of Birmingham Geography: Local study, cities and counties of UK, trade and economic activity, settlement	
	Year 6 Trips and Experiences: Lapworth Museum Library Castlecroft residential care home Residential Cannock Chase Museum Weston-Super-Mare Theatre trip Perform at a local secondary school		

^{*}Please note that some trips and experiences may change post-pandemic as a result of cost and availability