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The Churchill School 2026-27 Year 4 Curriculum Map

Year 4	Subject	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3	
	Main Project (Geog or History)	Invasion (History) **Pupils explore life in Britain after the Roman withdrawal, learning about Anglo-Saxon and Viking invasions up to the Norman conquest.**		Misty Mountain, Winding River (Geography) Pupils explore the characteristics and features of rivers and mountains worldwide, investigating the ecosystems, processes, and landforms that shape them.		Ancient Civilisations (History) Pupils explore the history of ancient Sumer, Egypt, and the Indus Valley, learning about their rise, daily life, achievements, and eventual decline.	
	Science	Food and the digestive system Pupils learn about the human digestive system, including the types and functions of teeth, and link this to animals' diets, food chains and the flow of energy within ecosystems.	Sound Pupils learn how sound is made and travels as vibrations through a medium to the ear, exploring how pitch and volume can be changed and how sound decreases over distance.	Grouping and Classifying Pupils learn how living things are grouped and classified, exploring vertebrates and invertebrates and using classification keys to identify animals and plants based on their features.	States of Matter Pupils learn to classify materials as solids, liquids or gases, investigate changes of state through heating and cooling, and understand key processes including melting, freezing, evaporation, condensation and the water cycle.	Electrical Circuits and Conductors Pupils learn how electrical circuits work, including components, conductors and switches, explore how voltage affects circuit output, record circuits using standard symbols, and apply this knowledge to design and make simple programmable home devices using sensors and monitoring.	
	Art & Design	Islamic Art / Warm and Cool Colours Pupils explore warm and cool colours and Islamic geometric patterns, using repeated motifs to create and evaluate patterned artworks.		Vista Pupils explore warm and cool colours, composition, and atmospheric perspective to create and evaluate landscape artworks using viewfinders for framing.		Statues, Statuettes and Figurines Pupils explore three-dimensional sculpture by studying and creating statues, statuettes and figurines, using figure drawing, armatures, and earthy colour palettes to convey historical and cultural narratives.	
	Geography	Interconnected World Pupils explore compass points, grid references, the tropics, and the countries, climates, and cultures of North and South America, identify physical features and transport networks in the UK, and carry out geographical enquiries using maps and surveys.		Misty Mountain, Winding River Pupils explore rivers and mountains around the world, learning about their features, processes, ecosystems, and how humans use and interact with them, using geographical resources to investigate and answer questions.		Geography revision and retrieval practice	
	History	Invasion Pupils explore the Anglo-Saxon and Norman invasions, investigating primary sources to understand historical perspectives, learning about key events like the Battle of Hastings and Sutton Hoo, and examining how these invasions shaped England's culture, society, and legacy.		History revision and retrieval practice		Ancient Civilisations Pupils learn about ancient civilizations like Sumer and Egypt, exploring how artefacts tell us about daily life, the important rulers like Sargon and the pharaohs, and how the River Nile helped shape Egyptian society and culture.	
	Design & Technology	Fresh Food, Good Food Pupils explore food decay, preservation and packaging by studying key inventions and preparing, packaging and evaluating a healthy snack.		Functional and Fancy Fabrics Pupils explore home furnishings and the work of William Morris by learning fabric decoration techniques, including block printing, hemming and embroidery, to design and make a fabric sample.		Tomb Builders Pupils explore simple machines such as wheels, axles, levers, pulleys and inclined planes, learning how they were used to lift and move heavy loads in ancient times.	
	RE	Judaism What is the best way for a Jew to lead a good life?	Christianity	Humanism What motivates Humanists to lead good lives?	Christianity Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?	Islam	Sikhi Do Sikhs think it's important to share?

			What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?			How do inspirational vegans impact on how people might live today?	
	Computing	The Internet Pupils explore the internet as a system of networks, including the WWW, and learn to evaluate online content..	Audio Production Pupils explore capturing and editing audio to produce a podcast, considering copyright and purpose..	Photo Editing Pupils explore manipulating digital images and reflecting on the impact of changes to achieve a specific purpose.	Data Logging Pupils explore how and why data is collected over time and use data loggers to carry out investigations..	Repetition in Shapes Pupils explore count-controlled loops in a text-based programming language to create repeated shapes.	Repetition in Games Pupils explore count-controlled and infinite loops in a block-based programming language when designing a game.
	PSHE (Jigsaw)	Being me in my World Pupils explore teamwork, rights and responsibilities, democracy, decision-making, motivation, and having a voice in school.	Celebrating Difference Pupils explore accepting themselves and others, challenging assumptions, understanding influences and bullying, and appreciating everyone's uniqueness.	Dreams and Goals Pupils explore setting and achieving goals, overcoming setbacks, working collaboratively, building resilience, and celebrating success.	Healthy Me Pupils explore healthy friendships, group dynamics, peer pressure, assertiveness, and making safe choices regarding smoking and alcohol.	Relationships Pupils explore feelings of jealousy, love, loss, friendship, and showing appreciation for people and animals.	Changing Me Pupils explore growing up, puberty, confidence and acceptance of change, preparing for transition, and adapting to environmental changes.
	PE	Fitness	Dance	Gymnastics	Yoga	Athletics	Orienteering (OAA)
	Games	Basketball	Handball	Football	Tennis	Dodgeball	Rounders
	Spanish	Phonics & Pronunciation 1&2 Seasons	Vegetables	Presenting Myself		My Family	In The Classroom
	Music	Words, words, words Pupils explore how the inter-related dimensions of music can express meaning, creating and performing a symphonic poem inspired by words. Harvest Festival Pupils use their voices expressively to perform songs as part of a whole-school celebration, developing confidence, listening skills and a sense of community.	Christmas Showcase Pupils develop their singing and performance skills by learning and performing a range of songs in different styles, demonstrating musical expression and ensemble awareness.	Minimalism Pupils explore minimalist music by listening, composing and performing, using repetition, texture and structure to create their own pieces.	Rivers Pupils explore pitch and notation by composing and performing pentatonic melodies and creating a barcarolle inspired by rivers	Ukuele Pupils learn to play the ukulele, keeping a steady beat and performing simple tunes together, refining their music for a group performance..	Musical Theatre Pupils explore musical theatre by listening to pieces, learning about composers and their works, and singing ensemble and solo parts.