KS2 Curriculum Overview

Year Group: 4 Term: Summer

Topic: Birmingham	
RE	Easter- Comparing 4 Resurrection Gospel accounts and the transforming effects on the disciples and the Feast of the Ascension and its importance for Christians today Pentecost-Know the story from the Acts of the Apostles and understand how the gift of the Holy Spirit transformed the lives of the Apostles and enabled them to proclaim the Good News
English	Reading, comprehension and examination of features of poetic, narrative verses and creation of balanced arguments in discussion writing. Use of coordinating and subordinating conjunctions and recapping of fronted adverbials and noun phrases as well as the use of figurative language and rhyme in poetry. Read and spell words from Year 3/4 common exception word list and using prefixes and suffixes spelling rules correctly.
Maths	We will be investigating decimal numbers. We will solve problems involving money and measure mass, volume and length. We will continue to learn our multiplication and division facts.
Spanish	Recall different modes of transport. Ask and answer questions relating to travel and present ideas to an audience.
PE	Athletics - Practice and perform competitive running, jumping and throwing activities. Play competitive games and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending- simple games of hockey, football, netball, dodge ball, bench ball.
Art/	Use our knowledge of forces to design, make and evaluate slingshot cars
Design & Technology	Explore how Birmingham's canals are represented in different art styles and create our own image of the canals using different styles. Use tone, shape, line, texture and shading to sketch famous Birmingham landmarks
Science	Electricity – Understand how electricity works and how it is generates. Look at how we can stay safe when using electricity. Create our own simple circuit with a batter, lightbulb, motor and switch. Complete an experiment to see which materials conduct electricity and which do not.
History	Look at the ways Birmingham has developed and changed over time, from its establishment to modern day. Explore the industrial revolution and its impact on the people and the city of Birmingham.
Computing	Use technology safely and respectfully and know how to report concerns when they arise. Design, write and debug programs that achieve specific goals. Use sequence, selection and repetition in programs and solve problems by breaking them down into smaller parts using Scratch. Particular focus on 'if then' blocks in our coding.
Geography	Compare maps of Birmingham from the past and present and create our own map of Birmingham using a key. Compare the city of Birmingham to other cities from around the world.
Music	Learn and perform a variety of hymns and songs linked to topics with control of diction and pitch. Be able to use percussion instruments with increasing control and fluency. Brass Instrument lessons. Develop appreciation of range of traditions and composers and understanding of the history of music. Explore the different bands and musicians that have come from the city of Birmingham.