



Year 2 Topic Map 2019-2020 - Updated November 2019

Each Topic has a specific Learning Focus however the following subjects are taught each week: English, Mathematics, Science (ongoing investigative skills), PE, RE, PSHE and Computing (see Termly Plans)

Week	1	2-4		5-7/8		
Autumn 1	<u>New Beginnings</u> LEARNING FOCUS: PSHE - New routines and expectations	<u>The Young Queen Victoria</u> LEARNING FOCUS: History - Find out about the past through a significant figure in history. Explore sources of information. Art and Design - Observational drawing. Study of the printer - William Morris		<u>RE</u> Christian Harvest Festival	<u>Oliver Twist</u> LEARNING FOCUS: History - Changes in childhood and changes in school life over the years. TRIP: Braintree Victorian Museum Biology - The importance of eating the right type of foods and hygiene Music/Dance - Listen and appreciate different types of music	<u>RE</u> Jewish Festival of Sukkot
Autumn 2	<u>Famous Victorians (MoE)</u> LEARNING FOCUS: History Florence Nightingale and Brunel Inventors and Engineers Music - Pitch and tone, untuned percussion			<u>RE</u> Guru Nanak Celebration (Sikh)	<u>The Jolly Christmas Postman (MoE)</u> LEARNING FOCUS: Art and Design - Use a range of materials creatively to design and make product. Use drawing and painting to develop imaginations. Geography - Identify key features of an imaginary world and use simple compass directions relating to the story	
Spring 1	<u>George's Marvellous Medicine (MoE)</u> LEARNING FOCUS: Creative writing - Making perfectly potent potions and recipes. Design and Technology - Explore a range of existing products (smoothies) Design, make and evaluate 'potions'			<u>A Country Far Away by Philippe Dupasquier</u> LEARNING FOCUS: Geography - Compare Chelmer Village to an African village through the eyes of children. Physical features on contrasting maps. Art and Design: Multicultural artwork e.g. weaving and African designs TRIP: RE FOCUS Cathedral and Mosque Visit		
Spring Second	<u>The Iron Man (MoE)</u> LEARNING FOCUS: Physics - Materials and their properties, identify and compare the suitability of materials for different purposes. Investigations. How materials can change through pushing, rolling, stretching and heat. Design and Technology: Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable. Design and Technology Morning				<u>Easter</u> LEARNING FOCUS: RE - Why do we celebrate Easter? PSHE: Special times in our lives.	
Summer First	<u>RE</u> Ramadan (Muslim Festival)	<u>Rainforest Explorers</u> LEARNING FOCUS: Geography - Name and locate the seven continents and five oceans on world atlases and globes. Locate hot and cold countries in relation to the Equator and the North and South poles.			<u>Expedition to the Amazon (MoE)</u> LEARNING FOCUS: Biology - Human Survival Identify and name micro-habitats 'mini-worlds' Scientific enquiry	

	Biology - Animals and their habitats, food chains and environmental issues i.e. deforestation and the use of plastic	Art and Design - Study of an Artist, Georgia O'Keeffe
Summer Second	<p align="center"><u>Reaching for the Stars!</u></p> <p>LEARNING FOCUS: PSHE/History - Inspirational sportsmen and women who have contributed to national and international achievements.</p> <p>Design and Technology - Design and make cookies using simple techniques</p> <p>TRIP: Hyde Hall</p>	<p align="center"><u>Theatrical Masterpiece</u></p> <p>Music/Drama: Leavers Production</p> <p>Art and Design: Designing programmes, staging and related artwork</p>