

CANON BURROWS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL: YEAR 4 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW						
SUBJECT	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
Key Question	Why are the rainforests important for us?	How have children’s lives changed?	How hard was it to invade and settle in Britain?	Where does our food come from?	Were the Vikings raiders, traders or settlers? Shakespeare	What are rivers and how are they used?
Driver	Geography	History	History	Geography	History      English	Geography
Key Texts	The Vanishing Rainforest - Richard Platt and Rupert van Wyk There’s a Rang-Tan in my Bedroom – James Sellick and Frann Preston The Greak Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry	Leather Shoe Charlie – Gyeong-Hwa Kim Oliver Twist – adapted from Charles Dickens	Little People, Big Dreams – Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara Beowulf – Michael Morpurgo	The Journey of a Cocoa Bean	William Shakespeare	The River – Valarie Bloom Song of the River – Jo Cowley
Class Author	Roald Dahl	Roald Dahl	Roald Dahl	Roald Dahl	Roald Dahl	Roald Dahl
Phonics	Little Wandle Letter and Sounds - Rapid Catch Up: <a href="http://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk">www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk</a>					
Guided Reading texts and genres	Future Hero – Remi Blackwood - adventure Mary Poppins - Pamela Lyndon Travers - classic Journey to the River Sea – Eva Ibbotson - adventure The BFG – Roald Dahl - adventure Bessie Coleman and Rosa Parks – Vashti Harrison - information Aladdin - Naomi Scott - song Poetry The Voice - poetry	The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry – picture book Flanders Field – John McCrae - poem The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett - classic Materials – information text Oliver Twist – adapted from Charles Dickens - classic A Christmas Carol – adapted from Charles Dickens - classic	Plastic Pollution – BBC Article - news report Beowulf – Michael Morpurgo – historical narrative Wonder - R. J. Palacio – contemporary Saxon Bling – newspaper article Diwali – non fiction Anglo Saxon Boy – Tony Bradman – historical narrative	The Lord’s Prayer - prayer The Chocolate Tree - Linda Lowery and Richard Keep - folktale Katherine Johnson – Kate Pankhurst - biography Shakespeare - biography The Storm – John Murray - poem	The Land of Roar – Jenny McLachlan - fantasy Spinners - poem Viking Boy – Tony Bradman – historical narrative The Tempest – Andrew Matthews - classic	Pride - information Lyra’s Letter - letter Windrush – Floella Benjamin – biographical narrative The Raging River - poem The Witches – Roald Dahl - adventure
Writing Genre	Acrostic Poem Past tense retell Setting description Recount	Past tense retell Diary Character description Metaphor poem	Biography Past tense retell Diary Non-chronological report	List poem Explanation Instructions	North West Drama Scheme Playscripts	Past tense retell
Spelling (Spelling Shed)	1.Words that are homophones 2.Words with the prefix ‘in-’ 3.Words with the prefixes ‘il-’, ‘im-’ and ‘ir-’ 4.Words with the prefix ‘sub-’ 5.Words with the prefix ‘inter-’ 6.Challenge Words.	7.Words ending in ‘-ation’ 8.Words ending in ‘-ation’ 9.Words ending ‘-ly’ 10.Words ending ‘-lly’ 11.Words where ‘ch’ makes a /sh/ sound 12.Challenge Words	13.Words ending in ‘-sion’ 14.Words ending in ‘-ous’ 15.Words ending in ‘-ous’ where the ge from the root word remains 16.Words where ‘i’ makes an /ee/ sound 17.Words ending in ‘-ious’ and ‘eous’ 18.Challenge Words	19.Words where ‘au’ makes an /or/ sound 20.Words ending in ‘-tion’ 21.Words ending in ‘-sion’ 22.Words ending in ‘-cian’ 23.Words that are adverbs of manner 24.Challenge Words	25.Words that are homophones 26.Words spelled with ‘c’ before ‘i’ and ‘e’ 27.Words containing ‘sol’ and ‘real’ 28.Words containing ‘phon’ and ‘sign’ 29.Words with the prefixes ‘super-’, ‘anti-’ and ‘auto’ 30.Words with the prefix ‘bi-’ 31.Challenge Words	32.Words containing an apostrophe for possession 33.Revision of spelling patterns learned in Stage 4 34.Revision of spelling patterns learned in Stage 4 35.Revision of spelling patterns learned in Stage 4 36.Revision of spelling patterns learned in Stage 4
Mathematics (White Rose Mathematics)	Place Value Addition and subtraction	Area Multiplication and division	Multiplication and division Length and perimeter	Fractions Decimals	Decimals Money Time	Shape Statistics Position and direction
Religious Education (Manchester Diocese Syllabus 2023)	What kind of world did Jesus want?	How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?	What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?	Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?	For Christians, when Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?	How and why do people try to make the world a better place?
Christian Values	Responsibility	Compassion	Perseverance	Friendship	Creativity	Hope
Science	Animals including humans	States of matter		Electricity	Living things	Sound
Computing (Teach Computing)		Computing Systems and Networks – The Internet		Creating Media – Photo Editing		Programming – Repetition in Shapes
History (Kapow)		How have children’s lives changed?	How hard was it to invade and settle in Britain?		Were the Vikings raiders, traders or settlers?	
Geography (Kapow)	Why are rainforests important to us?			Where does our food come from?		What are rivers and how are they used?
Art and Design (Kapow)	Drawing: Power prints		Painting and mixed media: Light and dark		Sculpture and 3D: Mega materials	
Design Technology		Making a Slingshot Car		Electrical Systems - Torches		Structure: Pavillions
Music (Charanga & TMS)	Charanga: Lean on Me (Gospel) Playing instruments: Recorders/ Glockenspiels Performing: Carol concert		Bamboo Tamboo Boomwhackers		Charanga: Blackbird (Pop) Playing instruments: Recorders/ Glockenspiels	
Physical Education (Get Set 4 PE)	Swimming      Hockey	Swimming      Gymnastics	Swimming      Tennis	Swimming      Dance	Tri-golf      Boxing	Volleyball      Athletics
Personal, Social and Emotional Education inc. My Happy Mind	Meet your brain Family and Friendships, Respecting Ourselves and Others	Celebrate Safe Relationships	Appreciate Belonging to a Community	Relate Media Literacy and Digital Resilience; Money and Work	Engage Growing and Changing; Keeping Safe	Physical Health and Mental Wellbeing
Modern Foreign Languages (Primary Languages)	Spanish – Welcome to school	Spanish – My local area, your local area	Spanish – family tree and faces	Spanish – face and body parts	Spanish – feeling unwell and jungle animals	Spanish – weather and ice cream
Curriculum Enhancements	Joint Harvest Service Poetry X Factor Timetable Rock stars day	Pantomime	Farm Visit	World Book Day Library visit Shakespeare workshop	Arts Week	Shakespeare Performance