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	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/Theme	What did the Romans do for Britain? Invaders & Settlers – Romans Science: Electricity: Can we control it? How?	Habitats: Geography: Would you prefer to live in an urban or rural area? Why? Science: Living things: What's the same and what's different?	Science: Changing State: Is water always a liquid? Investigating Water. Geography: The water cycle: Why is water so important?	History: How did life change in Britain after the Romans left? Invaders & Settlers: Anglo-Saxons	Science: What happens to the food we eat? The Human Body Teeth and Digestion Geography: Rivers – How does a river change on its journey from source to mouth?	History: What did the Vikings do for Britain? Science: What is sound and how do we hear it?
Introductory activity	Roman Soldiers day	Residential trip to Hathersage			Visit to the River Trent Real-live digestion	Visit from "The specialists". Life in Anglo-Saxon/Viking Britain
Literacy - learning outcome	Retell a legend in their own words. Write a short powerful speech in character. Write a dialogue. Write a recount of a battle.	To write a persuasive letter on a topic. Write a setting description. Write a story based on pictures from a picture book. Write a dialogue between characters. Write a poem exploring characters.	Write a setting description. Write a letter in role to character's parents. Write the next chapter in an adventure story. Write a creative story based on facts.	Write in the role of a character. To write a balanced argument. Write a persuasive speech. Write a story in the style of an Anglo-Saxon scop.	Write in the style of an author. Write a dialogue. Write a note to a character. Write a character description. Write an ending for a traditional story suitable for older children.	Write a character description Write a dialogue. Write a short persuasive speech. Write a diary entry in role. Write a biography. Write, read and perform poetry.

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		Write a prologue for a picture book.				
Main Texts	Writing to inform/entertain: Romulus and Remus Writing to inform and entertain: Down with the Romans	Writing to persuade: Craven pond, newspaper report and letters Writing to persuade and entertain: Fox	Writing to entertain: Ice Palace Writing to inform/entertain: Ice Boy	Writing to inform/entertain: Saxon Tales; The king who threw away his throne – Terry Deary Winter of Wolves: Tony Bradman	Writing to entertain Lost Happy Endings	Writing to inform/entertain: Shield Maiden: Stuart Hill. Range of performance poems
Science	Electricity: Can we control it? How?	Living Things: What's the same and What's different?	States of Matter Is water always wet?		Animals Including Humans – teeth and digestion. What happens to the food we eat?	Sound How do we hear sounds?
History Geography	History- The Romans What did the Romans do for Britain?	Geography Would you prefer to live in an urban or rural location? Why?	Geography – The Water Cycle Why is water so important?	History - Anglo- Saxons: How did life change in Britain after the Romans left?	Geography – Rivers How does a river change on its journey from source to mouth?	History – Vikings: What did the Vikings do for Britain?
Art	Roman Art			Landscape Painting		Colour, Shape and Music – Abstract Art
DT		Electrical circuit – Buzz Wire Game	Food - soups		Container – pencil tidy	

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Music	This little light of mime	The Pink Panther Composing with Colour	The doot doot song – percussion	Fanfare for the common man Spain	Ukulele	Favourite Song - percussion
Computing	iPrivate iProgram	iPower iData	iSearch iAnimate	iRespect iMail	iSecure iKnow Spam iProgram 1	iCommunicate iBeat Cyber Bullying iProgram 2 + 3
RE	Investigating Jesus	Hindu Celebrations Y4- Christmas	Jewish Celebrations and Family Life	Miraculous Escapes Y4- Easter	Caring and Praying	Muhammad Mosques and Prayer
PE	PPA – Invasion games Dance (GetSet4PE)	PPA - Orienteering Netball (GetSet4PE)	PPA - Tag rugby Swimming or Gymnastics (FGS plan)	PPA – Invasion games Swimming or Gymnastics (FGS plan)	PPA – Rounders Athletics (GetSet4PE)	PPA – Athletics Cricket (GetSet4PE)
PHSE – Jigsaw	Being Me	Celebrating Differences	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
Spanish	Phonics and Pronunciation I Know How		Ice Creams		Presenting Myself	