KS2 Humanities Curriculum Overview.

Please note, due to mixed age classes, some topics might be taught on a rotation ie a year 3 topic taught to both years 3 and 4.

Term 1

Let your light shine.

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Society Diversity How do people decide where to live?	Change Respect Does what happened in the past matter?	Value Community Are some counties better places to live than others?	Common good Compassion Why were there so many Victorian philanthropists?
Year 3 Local study Where is Derby? (geography) Understand the difference between hamlets, villages, towns and cities. Know that Derby is a city and why. Revise their understanding that Weston is a village and name other nearby villages. Know what a town is and name some local towns. Look at aerial pictures and maps of Derby and understand the symbols used on maps. Be able to find things	Year 4 Local study What is Derby known for? (history) Understand how far back in time the city's history extends. Know that there was a Roman barracks at Chester Green. Know about the building of the Cathedral and how Derby became a city. Understand that the Round House is a highly significant building and	Year 5 Local study Where is Derbyshire? (geography) Map skills 6 point grid references. Know the nearest big cities. Know the bordering counties. Know the main rivers flowing through the county. (Revision of Year 4 geography). Know what it distinctive about Derbyshire eg. The Dark and Light Peak Districts, Blue John, Mam Tor,	Year 6 Local study What is Derbyshire known for? (history – Industrial Revolution) Know what the Industrial Revolution was. Understand why this area was so well suited to the development of industry. Understand the rapid growth of Derby during this period.

and direct others to them using 4	about the importance of the railway		Know the impact Arkwright or
point grid references.	in the development of the city.	Compare and contrast Derbyshire to another county in the UK. A county	another leading industrialist had on the local area.
Use 8 compass points to indicate		which borders the coast, such as East	
where things are located.		Yorkshire or Devon.	
Understand the travel infrastructure			
for reaching Derby. (Roads, railway, canal, rivers and by air).			
Know what 'puts Derby on the map'			
these days eg. The Velodrome, The			
Format Photography Festival, Derby Theatre.			
Know, name and locate the main			
regions and at least six cities and			
counties in the UK. Explore cities			
using digital and paper maps and aerial views.			
Know how to plan a journey from my			
town/city to another place in England.			
Know how far Derby is from other			
places eg. London.			
Understand the similarities and			
differences between Derby and			
bigger cities, particularly London.			
Where have people living in Derby come from?			

What religions are followed in Derby?			
Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world: village walk. Visit to the centre of Derby or Derby Cathedral.	Link to geography: Know that Derby is in the northern hemisphere and the name of a number of countries in the northern hemisphere. Know whether a country is located in the Southern or Northern hemisphere Know why people may be attracted to live in cities. Know the main industries in Derby and why Derby was a suitable location. Know why people may choose to live in one place rather than another. Contrast daily life in Derby with daily life in a city in the southern hemisphere. (Climate, local industries, pass times, types of housing, tourist attractions). Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world: (Link to the local tourist office- display the brochures?). Silk Mill	History: Know about the stately homes located in Derbyshire: Chatsworth, Haddon Hall, Kedleston House, Hardwick Hall and Calke Abbey. Visits/visitors: Local country houses. Cross-curricular/real world:	Geography: Understand how the climate in the area encouraged the Victorians to build cotton mills in Derbyshire. Know how the Victorians built a transport infrastructure which is still used today (revise local study work from earlier years). Visits/visitors: Strutt Mill Belper, Arkwright's Mill Cromford. Cross-curricular/real world:

Vocabulary:	<u>Vocabulary:</u>	Vocabulary	<u>Vocabulary</u>
Settlement	Roundhouse	Revision of year 3 settlements and	Revision of previous years plus
Hamlet	Cathedral	year 4 rivers plus.	Precipitation
Village	Cathedra	Cartographer	Morality
Town	Industrial Revolution	Compass	Slavery
City	Industrialist	County	Wealth distribution
Hindu Temple	Entrepreneur	Grid reference	Skilled labour
Sikh Gurdwara	Infrastructure	Ordinance Survey	
Muslim Mosque	Listed	Eastings	
Bakewell	Latitude	Northings	
Buxton (Spa)	Longitude	Physical features	
Chesterfield	Equator		
Matlock	Hemisphere	Cheshire	
Birmingham	Canal	Derbyshire	
London	Climate	Greater Manchester	
Manchester	Child labour	Leicestershire	
Nottingham	Factory	Nottinghamshire	
River Derwent	Mass production	Staffordshire	
River Dove	Mill	South Yorkshire	
River Trent	Pollution	West Yorkshire	
Derby Canal	Richard Arkwright	Treak Cliff Cavern	
Erewash Canal	Spinning Jenny	Speedwell Cavern	
Aston on Trent	Steam engine	Castleton	
Barrow on Trent	Urbanisation		
Term 2	I		

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Perseverance	Justice	Thankfulness	Identity
Creativity.	Truthfulness.	Power.	Trust

Why are human beings so curious?	Does everyone have equal right to any land?	Why do people make objects which are beautiful but of no practical use?	Does it matter what we buy?
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6 The chocolate trade
The Stone Age (history) Know that this is the earliest period	The Anglo-Saxons / Vikings (history) Know that Britain was invaded on	Ancient Egypt (history) Understand the importance of the	Know, name and locate at least six
of human culture (Stone Age).	more than one occasion.	River Nile in the development of the Ancient Egyptian civilisation.	countries and cities in South America eg: Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires,
Know about the differences in the	Know that the Anglo-Saxons and		Lima
way of life between people in the	Vikings were often in conflict.	Learn about the wealth of artefacts	
stone age and modern life.	Know where the Vikings came from	available to students of this civilisation.	Know where cacao and sugar are grown.
Know how images and paintings can	and where they invaded our country.		
provide us with clues about the past	Know where the Angle Savens same	Consider the ethical arguments around gathering artefacts from the	Understand the distribution chain from south America to the rest of
Create hypothesises about the daily	Know where the Anglo-Saxons came from.	pyramids.	the world.
life of Stone Age people based on the			
examination of cave paintings.	Know the link between Anglo-Saxons and Christianity.	Learn about how the achievements of the ancient Egyptians shaped	Understand the economic and geographical impact of trade on a
Explain how the Stone Age people	Know that the Anglo-Saxons gave us	modern life. (The Pyramids, writing,	location.
developed more sophisticated tools	many of the words that we use	irrigation, language, hierarchical	
as time went on and understand that humans are constantly innovating	today.	society, farming, art and culture).	Link to: the environment, fair trade. Revises: hemispheres, the Equator,
and adapting.			biomes, tropics, human geography
			and contrasting locations.
			History Link to the Aztec civilization.
			Who were the Aztecs and where did
			they live? To know a major Aztec City.
			How Aztec society was organised.
Geography:	Geography:	Books: The Secret of the Sun King,	History:
Where and how are caves typically		Marcia and the Riddle of the Sphinx, The Story of Tutankhamun	Explorers, the Victorians.
created?		Story or rutarikilariluri	Industrial Revolution.

Where did cave people get their food from? How does this differ from where our food comes from? Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world: visit to	Map work to look at where the Vikings landed and the areas of the country over which they had control. Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:	Writing opportunities: Geography: Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:	
Thor's Cave			
Vocabulary:	<u>Vocabulary:</u>	Vocabulary:	<u>Vocabulary:</u>
Archaeologist	Danegeld	Ancient Egypt	Co-operative
Artefact	Baptism	Architect	Exploitation
Neolithic	Christianity	Egyptian	Fair trade
Palaeolithic and Mesolithic age	King Ethelred	Hieroglyph	Freight
B.C.	Exile	Immortality	Labourer
Chronology	Invade	Mausoleum	Logistics
Tribal	Kingdom	Pyramid	Plantation
Hunter-gatherers	Longship	Pharaoh	Production
Shelter	Outlawed	Giza	Transport
Civilization	Pagans	Great Pyramid	Terminal
Settlement	Pillaged	Mummy	
Prey	Monastery	Nile River	Aztec
	Settlement	Obelisk	Calpullis
		Papyrus	Chinampa
		Pharoah	Civilization
		Preserve	Deity
		Rituals	Guacomole
		Sarcophagus	Lake Texcoco
		Scarab	Mesoamerica
		Sphinx	Salsa
		Temple	Sunstone
		Tomb	Tenochtitlan
		Tutankhamum	
		Red Sea	
		Sahara Desert	
		Valley of the Kings	
		Mediterranean Sea	

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Courage	Beauty	Trust	Friendship				
Friendship	Choice	Self	Free will				
Why do we care about people who	How can we share the earth's	Will people make sacrifices for the	Why do people do dangerous				
we haven't met?	resources more fairly?	benefit of future generations?	things?				
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Volcanoes and Earthquakes	Rivers	The Environment	Explorers (Antarctica and Everest)				
Know about, locate and name the	Define features of rivers. Know	What is meant by a green belt?	Locate the Arctic and Antarctic Circle				
world's most famous volcanoes.	about the source of rivers are often		on a map.				
	mountains and that they usually flow	Should they be protected?					
Know about and describe the	to the sea.		Know how to use an atlas by using				
formation of volcanoes.		How might losing parts of a green	the index to find places.				
	Know about, name and locate many	belt affect the surrounding area?	Massachus als see sus similar and				
Know about and describe the key	of the world's most famous		Know why places are similar and dissimilar in relation to their human				
aspects of volcanoes.	mountainous regions:	Why might people want to keep/get	and physical features (refer to all				
Vacuusius (link to Damana)	Alps, Pyrenees, Caucasus, Himalaya,	rid of green belt?	prior knowledge)				
Vesuvius (link to Romans)	Rockies, Andes.	What is a biome? What defines	prior knowledge/				
Mount Etna	Know the highest mountains in each	biomes? How can biomes differ?	Locate the Greenwich meridian and				
Widditt Etha	continent.	Land or sea?	know how time zones work and				
Mount Teide (Canaries)	Know the features of a river.	What are the characteristics of the	calculate time differences around				
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Remember from Y4 the names and	biome we live in? What biome would	the world.				
	locations of world and local rivers	you like to live in?					
			Name, locate and study the world's				
	Know the water cycle.	How do biomes change over time?	deserts: Sahara, Gobi, Antarctic , Artic, Patagonian and Kalahari				

Visits/visitors:

	Know why most cities as situated by rivers. Know about the following rivers: Derwent, Trent, Danube, Rhine, Nile (Link to Ancient Egypt in Year 4) and the Amazon. Name and locate many of the world's most famous rivers. Be able to name the main oceans and to explain the difference between an ocean and a sea.	How do biomes affect which animals live within them? Look at a world map with biomes marked out. Look at how certain biomes are neighbours. Is it possible to have a desert and rainforest as neighbours? How do biomes relate to climate zones? What is a climate zone and how do they change over time? Describe and understand the key differences between weather and climate. Why do we suspect that human activity is changing the climate? What Evidence is there for this? Is the evidence convincing? What do we need to do about this?	Cross-curricular/real world:
History: Pompeii and Mount Vesuvius. Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world: Eyjafjallajökull Erupted in 2010 Hunga-Tonga-Hunga-Ha'apai volcano erupted on 15 January 2022	Visits/visitors: Severn Trent Cross-curricular/real world: River Derwent walk	Books: Writing opportunities: Geography: Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:	Books: Everest, Shackleton's Journey, Writing opportunities: Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:
Vocabulary: Active volcano Ash Ashfall	Vocabulary: Canal Cloud Condensation	Vocabulary: Revises vocabulary used during local study Biodiversity	Vocabulary: Revise year 5 biome vocabulary Adaptation Antarctica

Ash cloud.	Confluence	Biome	Climate Change
Vent	Delta	Coniferous Forest	Ernest Shackleton
Conduit	Estuary	Climate	Expedition
Crater	Evaporation	Deciduous	Flora
Dormant	Flow	Deforestation	Fauna
Eruption	Lake	Desert	Glacier
Fault	Levee	Ecosystem	Iceberg
Fissures	Main channel	Equator	Ice floe
	Meander	Evergreen	Ice sheet
Geysers	Mouth	Fauna	Marine biology
Hot Spot	Ocean	Flora	Meterology
Lava	Oxbow lake	Grasslands	Migrate
Magma	Precipitation	Habitat	Ozone layer
Mantle	Reservoir	Hemisphere	Plate tectonics
Stratovolcano	River	Latitude	Race to the Pole
Vent	Sea	Longitude	Sea ice
Volcanic eruption	Source	North Pole	Southern Ocean
Volcano	Stream	Organisms	Stratosphere
Vulcan	Tributary	Precipitation	Subglacial
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	Waterfall	Savannah	The Endurance
	Water vapour	South pole	
		Temperate	
		Tropical	
		Tundra	
		Woodlands	
Terms 5 and 6			
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Service	Democracy	Generosity	Forgiveness
Duty	Belief	Human rights.	Peace
	What makes a good leader?		

What makes a successful		What makes some people so resilient?	
society/civilisation?	Voor 4		Voor 6
Year 3 The Romans (history) Know about at least three things that the Romans did for our country. Know why the Romans needed to build forts in this country. Know that Rome was a very important place and many decisions were made there. Know how far the Roman Empire extended. Understand the events leading to the fall of the Roman Empire.	Year 4 Ancient Greece (history) Know about some of the things that the Greeks gave the world (democracy, architecture, Olympics, mythology, mathematics and philosophy). Know that the Greeks were responsible for the birth of the Olympics. Know that the Greek Gods were an important part of Greek culture. Know how the laws in Ancient Greece founded our system of democracy. Know how the modern police system was founded.	Year 5 Victorians (history) To compare the reign of Queen Victoria to that of Queen Elizabeth 2nd. Know the extent of the Victorian Empire. Know how the legacy of the Victorians still impacts on our daily lives. Know about Victorian philanthropists. Learn about the origins of our original village school.	Year 6 World War 2 (history). Know the significant individuals involved in WW2. Know how WW2 shaped our lives today. Understand the importance of Remembrance and learning from the past. Know the key dates and events for WW1 and WW2. Know how WW1 led to WW2.
Books: Writing opportunities: Geography: Know, name and locate the capital cities of neighbouring European countries. Know the countries that made up the Roman Empire and their modern names.	Books: Writing opportunities: Geography: Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:	Books: Writing opportunities: Geography: Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:	Books: Writing opportunities: Geography: Visits/visitors: Cross-curricular/real world:

Visits/visitors: Roman Gladiator				
Cross-curricular/real world:				
Vocabulary:	<u>Vocabulary:</u>	<u>Vocabulary:</u>	Vocabulary:	
Aqueduct	Acropolis	British Empire	Adolf Hitler	
Barbarian	Alexander the Great	Emigration	Air raid	
Censor	Ancient	Factory Commission	Allies	
Century	Civilization	Industrial Revolution	Allotment	
Circus	Comedies	Model town	Auschwitz	
Citizen	Demigod	Monarchy	Battle of Britain	
Dictator	Democracy	Poor Law	Bias	
Dynasty	Hoplites	Parliament	Black market	
Emperor	Marathon	Ragged Schools	Blackout	
Forum	Mount Olympus	Reformer	Blitz	
Fresco	Philosophy	Workhouse	Concentration camp	
Gaul	Siege		Coupons	
Gladiator	Slaves		Dictator/ship	
Gladius	Sparta		Doodlebugs	
Legion	Temple		Evacuee	
Mosaic	Tragedies		Evacuation	
Orator	Zeus		Gas	
Patrician			Gestapo	
Plebeian			Host family	
Province			Kindertransport	
Republic			Luftwaffe	
Rhetoric			Misinformation	
Senate			Morse code	
Tribune			Pamphlet	
Toga			Propaganda	
			Rationing	
			Ration book	
			Royal Air Force	
			Spitfire	
			Telegram	
			Warden	
			Winston Churchill	