

Year 4 History and Geography Curriculum

History			
Rampaging Romans: How did the Romans shape the world?			
Key Concepts: Invasion and Empire			
Topic Based Knowledge		People and Places	
• The significant features of Roman life and society • The Roman invasion of Europe and the UK • The resistance faced by the Romans • The impact of the Romanisation of Britain		• Julius Caesar • Boudicca • Geography of Europe, including Italy, Rome and the UK • Roman Settlements in Britain • Hadrian’s Wall	
Key Vocabulary			
Empire	Invade	Conquer	Military
Romanisation	Resistance	Peace	Republic
Settlement	Slave	Prosperity	Religion

Geography			
Rainforests: Does the natural world have rights?			
Key Concepts: Rights, Justice and Sustainability			
Topic Based Knowledge		Locations and Places	
• The location of the world’s rainforests • The physical features of rainforests • The environment issues caused by human activity on these biomes • The importance of rainforests for the global climate		• South America • Africa • Indonesia • Amazon Rainforest	
Key Vocabulary			
Layers	Species	Tropics of Cancer/Capricorn	Sustainability
Vegetation (belt)	Biome	Trade	Conservation
Diversity	Equator	Deforestation	Climate

History and Geography			
Ancient Treasures: What should we treasure most in life?			
Key Concepts: Wonder, Spirituality and Greed			
Topic Based Knowledge		People and Places	
• The location of Egypt and the geography of Africa • Egyptian beliefs and rituals • The significance of the River Nile • The impact on life in Egypt today (tourism and trade)		• Egypt & Africa • River Nile • Great Pyramids • Cleopatra • Tutankhamun • Howard Carter	
Key Vocabulary			
Ancient civilisation	Tourism	Belief	desert
Pyramids	Religion	Exploration	Burial
Pharaoh	Hieroglyphics	Climate	Archaeologist