



The Year 5 Whitley Curriculum - Long Term Plan 2025-26

	Autumn 1		Autumn 2		Spring 1		Spring 2		Summer 1		Summer 2	
Value	Resilience		Respect		Love		Forgiveness		Perseverance		Kindness	
Core Book	Robot Girl by Malorie Blackman	Firebird by Saviour Pirotta	Freedom Bird by Jerdine Nolen	The Lost Thing Shaun Tan	Children of the Benin Dina Orji	Alte Zachen Ziggy Hanaor	Beowulf Michael Morpurgo	The Whale Ethan and Vita Murrow	The Island Armin Greder	The Tempest William Shakespeare	Origami Yoda Tom Angleberger	Curiosity Markus Motum
English	Science fiction narrative Discussions, debates, dialogue, character comparisons, reviews		Biography Non-narrative poems, explanations, dialogue, postcards, letters of advice, descriptions, recounts, narrative poems		Non-chronological texts Informal letters, contrasting diary entries, survival guides, eyewitness reports, story summaries		Legend Letter of advice, diary entry, dialogue, character and setting description, action scenes, obituary		Narrative sequel Welcome guide, description, letter of advice, analysis, comparison, diary entry in role, imagined conversation		Discussion text Instructions, persuasion, recount (diary entry)	
	Fairytale narratives Formal letters, retellings, character descriptions		Narrative Diaries, formal letters, adverts, character and setting descriptions, non-chronological reports		Analytical essay Character descriptions, flashbacks, diary entries in role, short autobiographies		Film pitch Legend Letter of advice, diary entry, dialogue, character and setting description, action scenes, obituary		Playscript Setting description, character descriptions /comparisons, diary entry, dialogue		Explanation Proposal to NASA, information labels, short explanation, NASA log of Mars landing, news report	
Science	Earth and space		Forces		Materials		Materials		Living things and their habitats		Animals including humans	
RE	2.3 For Christians, how can following God bring freedom and justice?		2.4 Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah?		2.11 What does it mean for a Jewish person to follow God?		2.6 What do Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' human beings?		2.11 What does it mean for a Jewish person to follow God?		2.13 Why do some people believe in God and some people not?	
Computing	Digital Literacy and Online Safety		Building Retro Games - Pick a project		Building Collaborative Websites		Manipulating Sound.		What is a computer?		Lego Robotics	
Humanities Geography / History	Why are mountains so important?		Why did the Maya change the way they live?		What is a river?		What was life like in Tudor England?		What significant events affected Bedlington in Northumberland?		What is the legacy of the Ancient Greek civilisation?	

Arts and Design	Painting and mixed media portraits	<i>Structure: Bridges</i>	Sculpture and 3D: Interactive installation	Cooking and nutrition: Developing a recipe	<i>Craft and design: Architecture</i>	<i>Textiles: Stuffed toys.</i>
PSHE, RSE	Me and my relationships	Valuing difference	Keeping myself safe	Rights and responsibilities	Being my best	Growing and changing
PE	Swimming Football (NUFC)	Swimming	Real PE Unit: Cognitive	Real PE Unit: Creative	Real PE Unit: Applying physical.	Real PE Unit: Health and fitness
Music	Charanga: Living on a Prayer - Rock anthems	Charanga: Classroom Jazz 1 - Jazz and improvisation Christmas performances.	Charanga: Make You Feel My Love - Pop ballads	Charanga: The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air - Old school hip hop	Charanga: Dancing in the street - Motown	Charanga: Reflect, rewind, replay - the history of music.
MFL	<u>La phonetique</u> Focus - pronunciation	<u>Ma famille</u> Name family members, describe them and count to 100	<u>As-tu un animal?</u> Focus - pets and conjunctions to link simple sentences	<u>En classe</u> Classroom objects and commands	<u>Chez moi</u> Focus - homes and rooms within a home	<u>La Seconde Guerre mondiale</u> Decode, say and write information about WWII evacuees.

Enrichment	<p>Teamwork games to build resilience/ interaction and problem solving</p> <p>Breathing/ calming activities/ understanding emotions to support healthy mental wellbeing</p> <p>Feelings journals</p> <p>Raising awareness and a collection for the local foodbank - community focus</p>	<p>Culture - Celebrating Black History month and studying Maggie Aderin-Pocock (STEM)</p> <p>Board games - develop analytical skills/ problem solving</p>	<p>Children in Need - supporting global charity</p> <p>Board games - develop analytical skills/ problem solving</p> <p>POP into Protecting our Planet Day in November 2025 (STEM) inspirational experts working to tackle climate change and the restoration of nature, interactive primary school sessions, and career journeys from studying STEM to protecting our planet.</p>	<p>Board games - develop analytical skills/ problem solving</p>	<p>Trip to Woodhorn Museum - local historical enrichment.</p>	
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