



Text Mapping (2024 – 2025)

Years 5 and 6



Autumn Term

Term	Text	Curriculum	Cross-curricular Links	Pupil Outcomes	Themes	Spelling Words	National Curriculum Links
Autumn 1	Curiosity: The Story of a Mars Rover by Markus Notum	Writing 3 weeks	Science Earth and Space	Expanded explanation for a new rover , proposal to NASA, information labels, short explanation, NASA log of Mars landing, news report	Mystery & Truth Mars, space, curiosity, exploration, robotics	Communicate, curiosity, environment, existence, system, temperature, vehicle	Science (Y5 Earth and Space): describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system.
	Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce	Reading 3 weeks	Science Earth and Space	Make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text	Power vs. Principles		Space, space-travel, families, parents, exploration, rockets
Autumn 2	The Promise by Nicola Davies	Writing 2 weeks	History The Shang Dynasty	Sequel to continue the cyclical story , experimentation with figurative language, report	Evolution & Inheritance Conservationism, seeds, plants, nature, habitats, life-cycles	Appreciate, government, guarantee, occur, opportunity, recognise	Science (Y6 Evolution and inheritance): Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents. Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.
	Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick	Reading 4 weeks	Geography Extreme Earth				

Spring Term

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Spring 1	The Man Who Walked Between the Towers by Modicai Gerstein	Writing 2 weeks	Geography North American	Autobiography , information writing (Wikipedia page), letters of advice (formal), writing in role, interviews, persuasive speeches	Ambition & Desire America, New York, figures from history, circus, famous people	Achieve, amateur, desperate, disastrous, embarrass (+ment), excellent, guarantee, marvellous	Geography (Y5 Place knowledge): Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region in North or South America.
	The Secret of Haven Point by Lisette Auton	Reading 3 weeks	Science Electricity	Make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text	Mystery & Truth		Lighthouse, community, disability, family, home
Spring 2	The Tempest by William Shakespeare	Writing 3 weeks	History The Tudors	Play scripts , setting description, character descriptions /comparisons, diary entry, dialogue	Power & Principles Shakespeare, play scripts, classic literature	Correspond, interfere, mischievous, sincere(ly), signature, twelfth, yacht	Geography (Y5 Human and physical geography): Physical geography including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, ^(SEP) mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle
	The Explorer by Katherine Rundell	Reading 4 weeks	Geography South America	Retrieve and record information /identify key details from fiction and non-fiction	Power & Principles		Unlikely friendships, Amazon, survival, aeroplanes

Summer Term

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Summer 1	The Highway Man by Alfred Noyes	Writing 3 weeks	History Crime and Punishment	Read, discuss and perform, <i>The Highwayman</i> and write a new ending. Revise adverbials, relative clauses and study the perfect form to mark time and cause.			
	The Good Thieves by Katherine Rundell	Reading 3 weeks	History Crime and Punishment	Make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text	Ambition & Desire		North America, the 1920s, prohibition era, New York.
Summer 2	The Story of the Titanic for Children by Joe Fullman	Reading 3 weeks	History The Titanic	Identify /explain how information / narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as whole	Lessons from History		Titanic, Edwardians, Victorians, Oceans