Avenue Junior School

Year 5 Curriculum Document 2025-26

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Term	**Autumn 1**	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**	**Spring 2**	**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**
Topic	**Rainforests** What Makes Rainforests Remarkable?	**Benin Kingdom** What Makes Rainforests Remarkable? The Kingdom of Benin	**Community** What Influences Our Community?	**Crime and Punishment** Did The Punishment Always Fit The Crime?	**Space** Which hidden or overlooked figures have made important contributions to space travel, and why are their stories important to remember today?	**Ancient Greece** How did the Ancient Greeks' achievements in democracy and sports shape their lasting legacy?
Literature Spine	Michael Morpurgo: Kensuke's Kingdom Mitch Johnson: Toxic	Dinah Orji: Children of the Benin Kingdom	Thomas Taylor: Malamander	Ally Sherrick: Black Powder Alfred Noyes: The Highwayman	Margot Lee Shetterly: Hidden Figures Kate Pankhurst: We Are All Astronauts	William Shakespeare: Troilus and Cressida Maz Evans: Who Let the Gods Out
English	Informal Letters Fictional Setting and Character Descriptions	Journalistic Article Persuasive Letters	Recounts Diary Entry Persuasive Writing	Diary entries Narratives	Biographies Instructions	Persuasive Speech Myths Recount

Maths	Place value Addition Subtraction Rounding	Multiplication Fractions – equivalent fractions, converting and comparing fractions.	Multiplication Division Fractions – ordering fractions.	Fractions Decimals Percentages	Area and Perimeter Decimals Properties of shape	Position and direction Measures – converting units Volume
Science	Living things and their habitats	Lifecycles Plants and pollination Adaptation	Properties and changes of materials Investigating changes	Forces Gravity Friction – air and water resistance Levers and pulleys	Earth and Space	Animals, including humans
Humanities (History & Geography)	The Amazon: using atlases, climate, physical and human geography, deforestation	The ancient kingdom of Benin	Local area study: Norwich	Crime and punishment through the Anglo- Saxons, Tudors and Victorians	The Cold War and the Space Race	Ancient Greeks – how their impact is still felt in today's society
Art and Design	Botanical drawing	Clay sculpture inspired by the Benin bronzes	Tessellation Graffiti Art	Artist Study – Keith Harring, Knapple and Banksy	Abstract Art – Peter Thorpe	Greek vases and printing
RE	Is believing in God reasonable?	What can we learn about the world from the great philosophers?		What do Hindus believe?	How has belief in Christianity / Islam impacted on music and art throughout history?	What difference does resurrection make to Christians?

French	My Family	The Date	What is the weather?	Do you have a pet?	My Home	Habitats
PSHE and PATHS	Families and people who care for me. Tricky friendships	Caring relationships and online relationships	Consent and why this is important	Health and Fitness Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco	Mental health and wellbeing. Puberty	Basic first aid Puberty – emotional and physical changes.
PE	Net and Wall Games	Fielding and Striking	Dance	Gymnastics	Invasion Games	Athletics
Computing	Computer systems E-safety	Filming techniques Editing recorded sequences	Programming – using 'if… then… else…' instructions	Spreadsheets and databases to collect and record data	Using vector drawings and creating images	Coding - designing, writing and debugging.
Music	Orchestra – exploring the different musical families.	Exploring rhythm and notation	How do we use the ukulele to accompany songs?	Musician study - Grażyna Bacewicz and Leonard Bernstein	2 Part Singing and choral performances	Preparation for end-of-year production. Choral singing.