

Hiltingbury Junior School Year 5 Spring 2 Curriculum Overview Summary 2023-2024

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
English	The Watertower – reading comprehension, analysing characters and motives, diary entry, setting description, use of dialogue to convey character, suspense stories		The Majestic Plastic Bag – analysis of video clip and authorial intent, descriptive recount from the point of view of the plastic bag, persuasive campaign posters to stop plastic pollution			
Reading	Last Bear – looking at the themes of friendship and change, we use this award winning book to explore our reading skills of fluency, inference and comprehension.					
Maths	Fractions			Decimals		
Science	Forces – In this unit, we will identify and explain the effects of different forces, including air resistance, water resistance and friction. We will explore these forces using a range of experiments and record our results using scientific diagrams and explanations.			Properties and Changes of Materials (Reversible and Irreversible Change) – In this unit, we will compare and group materials according to their properties and we will use our increasing knowledge to carry out a range of investigations involving dissolving, filtering, sieving and evaporating.		
PE =	Multi skills – learn a wide variety of skills within a range of sports every week so that they can further apply them to invasion games in the summer.					
Games	Rounders – to apply our catching skills from previous sports to rounder. We will also look at accuracy with striking too.					
Computing	Quizzes – Children will use their knowledge of writing programmes and using selection tools to create a quiz using scratch.					
Geography	Earth Heroes - Are there simple solutions to big problems? In this unit we will be following a geographical enquiry, considering and learning what solutions there are to problems for the world.					
R.E.	Community (Umma) We will explore the concept of community and what this means in the Muslim faith. Through our unit, we will discuss the pillars of Hajj and Zakat and how the concept of community is developed through these. We will explain our own thoughts about community and how a sense of community affects peoples’ lives.					
PDL	Valuing Difference: We will be exploring the topics of racism, stereotyping, kindness and friendship.					
French	What’s the weather - By the end of this unit pupils will have the knowledge and skills to describe the weather and to also present a weather forecaster pretending to be on television. This enables us to link the weather vocabulary with map work, compass points and general geography. This unit improves both language and cultural knowledge.					
Music	Film Harmonies – We will listen to music with a variety of textures, noticing different types of harmony. We will then improvise and compose our own film score, including the use of simple chord structures.					