BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - HISTORY LEARNING SEQUENCE

History - The Ancient Sumer

Enquiry/ Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
Enquiry 1: What was Ancient Sumer?	Key Knowledge: Ancient Sumer was an ancient civilisation.
When did the Ancient Sumer live? Where was Ancient Sumer?	They existed from c. 5300 BC to c. 1940 BC. (Compare chronology to Ancient Britain) Through map work identify Mesopotamia (modern day Iraq) between the rivers Tigris and Euphrates.
Enquiry 2:	Key Knowledge:
How was Ancient Sumer organised?	Ancient Sumer was made up of several individual city-states that had their own god or goddess and ruler. The largest of Ancient Sumerian cities, Uruk, was home to between 40,000 and 80,000 people.
	Each city was surrounded by a large, defensive stone wall, with small farming villages outside them (compare to Iron Age hillforts)
Enquiry 3:	Key Knowledge:
What is a civilization? (compare to Ancient Britain during this period) What is the Ancient Sumer known for?	The Ancient Sumer are often regarded as the creators of modern civilisations. The Ancient Sumer were responsible for many innovations in areas such as language, architecture, mathematics and science, schools as a way to pass information between generations to keep society developing.
	They are credited with inventing the wheel and the earliest writing system.
Enquiry 4:	Key Knowledge:
How were the rivers Tigris and Euphrates important to the Ancient Smer?	Ancient Sumer are also attributed with developing innovative farming methods using their knowledge of mathematics and engineering. They invented irrigation and learned how to control the flooding of the rivers Tigris and Euphrates to their benefit. Additionally, they even built working canals, a feat that no civilisation had achieved before them.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - ART LEARNING SEQUENCE ART: ANDY GOLDSWORTHY UNIT

Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
To know who Andy Goldsworthy is, and what type of art he produces.	Andy Goldsworthy is a sculptor that is still alive and working today. That a sculptor makes sculptures (3D art objects.) He is a Land Artist. Land artists make their art with nature materials and in the natural world.
To explore the relationship between line, shape and space when drawing.	That Goldsworthy liked to experiment with and explore the relationship between line, shape and space. That when space interrupts a line it can still look as if it continues. That both line and space can be used to create shape.
To explore the relationship between line, shape and space by using a stencil (or person) WEATHER DEPENDENT	That Andy Goldsworthy has used his own body like a stencil to create a space he called a rain shadow. That stencils work by blocking and generating space that creates a shape. Know how to use themselves or stencils to successfully create shapes/rain shadows.
To explore how to create tones of colour whilst painting collaboratively and how to create texture using paint.	How to work collaboratively on a large-scale art project i.e. class river painting – teamwork. That adding white to a colour makes lighter tones of that colour. That using thick, overlapping paint can generate texture and that pouring paint onto a surface can add texture and change tones. That directionality of brush strokes can affect texture.
5. To print showing understanding of the basic process and to experiment with the use of colour, pattern and shape in their printed design	The difference between colour and tone. That Goldsworthy has experimented with both tone and colour in his art work. The process of successfully printing with a leaf and poster paint. How to print leaves, and overlap these painted prints, to create concentric printed circles of different tones and colours.

6. To make a 2D shape and a	That Andy Goldsworthy has made sculptures out of slate.
3D model using small pieces	Pieces of slate can be arranged to form both 2D and 3D shapes as well as to generate line.
of slate.	That creating art takes time and patience and that land art is often ephemeral.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - COMPUTING LEARNING SEQUENCE

COMPUTING: Code Studio Course C Lessons 11-16

Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
THE BIG EVENT	Events are a good way to add flexibility to a pre-written algorithm.
To know how to use events to allow	
greater flexibility when programming	
BUILD A FLAPPY GAME	How to write a simple algorithm around events to build their own Flappy Bird game.
To create their own Flappy Bird	How to customize their game by changing the visual or the rules.
game	
MINI-PROJECT: CHASE GAME	How to write a simple algorithm around events to build their own animated game.
To create their own animated game.	
PICTURING DATA	How to collect data from a Play Lab project and visualise it using different graphs.
To represent data using simple	
graphs.	
BINARY BRACELETS	That binary can be represented as two opposite variables (eg. On/off, 1/0, yes/no.)
To know how computers store	That binary is a how computers store information.
information	
END OF COURSE PROJECT	How to combine the skills that they have learnt to design, develop and showcase a game of their
To draw upon all their prior learning	choice.
to design, develop and showcase a	
game.	

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - COMPUTING LEARNING SEQUENCE

COMPUTING: Desktop Publishing

Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
WORDS & PICTURES	The difference between text and images.
To know what text and images are	That text and images can communicate messages clearly.
and how to use them effectively to	The advantages and disadvantages of using text only, images only or a combination of both to
communicate messages	communicate messages.
CAN YOU EDIT IT?	How to change font style, size and colour for given purpose/effect.
To alter and edit text size, font style	How to edit text using return, backspace and shift keys to move cursor, delete and insert punctuation
and colour	respectively.
GREAT TEMPLATE!	What page orientation means (portrait and landscape) and how to change it.
To understand how to use	What placeholders are and why they are important.
templates, change orientation and	How to create a template for a particular purpose.
insert place holders	
CAN YOU ADD CONTENT?	How to select the best locations for their content.
To copy and paste in content and to	How to copy and paste text and images in to a previously made template to create a magazine cover.
edit placed content.	How to make changes to content after it has been inserted/added.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - COMPUTING LEARNING SEQUENCE

COMPUTING: NCCE Programming B (Events and actions in programs)



Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
MOVING A SPRITE	The relationship between an event and an action.
To move characters using events.	Which keys to select for the actions giving reasons for their choices.
To analyse and improve an existing	How to evaluate and improve a program.
project.	
MAZE MOVEMENT	
To program a sprite to move in	How to select a character of a suitable size in a maze.
different directions making use of	How to program movement of a sprite in four directions: up, down, left and right.
duplicate code	How to duplicate and modify existing code to make this directionality programming more efficient.
To select a sprite style and size	
suitable for the background	
DRAWING LINES	
To use extension blocks in Scratch	How to use a programming extensions
(the pen extension) to draw lines	How to use the pen down block to draw digital lines.
	How to use blocks to set up how their project is run.
ADDING FEATURES	How to add additional features from a given set of blocks.
To design features and use	How to use suitable keys to turn on these additional features.
additional pen blocks to create and	How to build sequences of commands to make their design work.
add them.	

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - MUSIC LEARNING SEQUENCE

MUSIC: Meadow Song Project

Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
SONG OF THE DEEP,	That you can sing expressively just like you can read expressively to convey emotion and feeling.
DARK EARTH	What rhythm is how it is different from pulse .
To sing with expression.	That dynamics refer to changes in volume and that such changes can be used to create tension and
To explore using dynamics to create	drama in a performance.
dramatic effect.	What the terms pianissimo (pp), piano (p), mezzo piano (mp), mezzo forte (mf), forte (f) and fortissimo
To play untuned percussion	(ff) mean and how these can be combined to form a crescendo (getting louder) and
instruments showing awareness of	decrescendo/diminuendo (getting quieter.)
the dynamics and mood of the	How to play percussion instruments rhythmically, with awareness of dynamics, coming in and stopping
music.	at the right times.
RIDDLE SONG	
To sing with clarity, delicacy and	That good diction is important for clarity in singing.
rhythmical accuracy	That you can alter the way you sing words or phrases for different effects e.g. delicacy, emphasis.
To identify the structure of a song	That the words of a song follow the rhythm of the melody.
To move expressively in a way that	That the structure of a song is how it is arranged e.g. verse, chorus, bridge.
is informed by the music	That movement to music should be in time to the pulse.
	That movements can be informed by the lyrics, melody and/or mood of the song.
SONG OF SUMMER	
To sing showing awareness of	That breathing in the right place is important to successful singing.
appropriate phrasing.	How to listen to a piece of music with a particular focus (e.g. the instruments making a cuckoo sound, a
To listen with increasing attention to	grass hopper sound.)
a piece of music.	That the voice can be used to create a wide variety of vocal sounds that can imitate the sounds of
To create simple compositions that	animals.
echo sounds from the natural world	That these sounds can be combined to create a vocal soundscape.

using vocalised sounds, body	That some instruments have timbres that make them more appropriate for imitating given animal
sounds and percussion instruments.	sounds.
	That sounds can be made with the body and that this is known as body percussion.
	That vocalised sound, body percussion and percussion instruments can be combined effectively to
	create a meadow soundscape.
	That a composition can be written down so that everyone can see and follow their part.
	How to follow a graphical representation of a composition, starting and stopping playing at the right
	time, and maintaining their part whilst others play.
MARVELLOUS STORIES	
To understand that songs can	That singing songs and focusing on the lyrics, helps us to understand things (e.g. that meadows and
convey messages.	nature are important.)
To create and use body percussion	That rhythmical actions made in time with the music and informed by the lyrics can help us remember
rhythms to accompany a song.	the words of a song.
To sing with increasing awareness	That pitch refers to changes in the highness and lowness of notes.
of pitch.	That when we sing it is useful to listen to whether the notes are getting higher or lower and to try to
To sing in parts, maintaining their	follow this pattern.
part.	That singing in parts takes practice because we need to know our part really well so we maintain it
	when others are singing different parts at different times.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - DT LEARNING SEQUENCE

DT: Design a Bug House



Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
To research habitats of a range of	That different minibeasts like different conditions to live in e.g. dark, damp/dry, sunny.
minibeasts	That different minibeasts prefer different features in their habitats e.g. dead leaves, stones, hollow
	twigs, pine cones
To evaluate a selection of bug	That good designs are pleasing to look at and are functional (ie, able to meet the design brief)
homes and suggest improvements	Identify good/bad features in these designs and suggest improvements.
To specify a design brief and design	That a design brief states the function/purpose of the design and the user.
a product to fulfil this brief.	How to use the design brief to inform their own design and chosen materials.
	How to draw a labelled diagram to communicate their design and explain their material selection.
To identify the materials and	That to make their design they will need to select both the necessary materials and equipment – make
equipment needed to make their	a list of both.
design	
To identify how they are going to	That before they start to make a design it is important to plan the order of their design assembly –
make their design recording this	record the sequence of steps to follow to make their design.
process as a sequence of steps	
To measure, mark out, cut, shape	Be able to follow carefully and accurately the series of steps they specified to assemble their bug
and assemble their components	house.
safely and accurately so that the	How to use a ruler to measure to the nearest cm and how to mark this out on materials effectively.
bug house they make is fit for	How to use and carry scissors safely. (If using a hacksaw – how to use it safely.)
purpose	How to assemble, join and combine their materials in order to make their bug house (eg. How to tie a
	simple knot in string. How to use sellotape to hold things together. If necessary - how to use a glue
	gun safely under supervision.)
	That sometimes problems arise with designs when they are being assembled and that changes to
	designs may be necessary to improve them, or enable them to function.

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To think about their ideas as they progress through assembly and be willing to make necessary changes	
To evaluate their design against their original design brief.	That once products are assembled, it is important to reflect on how well it meets its intended purpose (the design brief.) Identify things that worked well and the things they would improve about their design or make, if they were building their bug house again.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - RE LEARNING SEQUENCE

RE: Hinduism – How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?

Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
ENGAGEMENT To understand that although they are one person, they mean different things to different people	That although there is only one of them, they are different things to different people e.g. son/daughter, friend, pupil, football team player, Brownie etc.
INVESTIGATION 1 To understand the Hindus believe in Brahman as the supreme spirit. To know that Hindus consider	That Hindus believe Brahman is the Supreme Spirit but can exist in many different forms. He is different things to different people.
Brahman can exist in many different forms/deities.	That Hinduism is a polytheistic religion – they have many gods/goddesses each with different strengths/powers.
To understand that Hindus believe that Brahman exists in every living thing.	That Hindus believe all living things should be treated with respect because they all contain a divine part (part of Brahman.)
INVESTIGATION 2 To know that the gods of the trimurti are the most important deities to Hindus. To understand how and where Hindus worship	That the tri-murti are the three most important gods for Hindus. That the tri-murti are: Brahma (creator) Vishnu (preserver) and Shiva (destroyer) That Hindus worship different gods/goddesses as a family in the home and at different times of need at temples. That there is a Hindu act of worship called Puja.
INVESTIGATION 3	That Hindus believe Brahman exists in every living thing.

To understand that Hindus believe that Brahman exists in every living	That Hindus believe that everyone and every creature is therefore important and should be treated with respect.
thing.	That believing in god/goddesses can make a difference to the way Hindus live.
To consider how this belief might	
affect the lives of Hindus	
EVALUATION	
To reflect upon how Brahman can	That Hindus believe Brahman exists in every living thing and give reasons why they believe that.
be everywhere and in everything.	
To form their own ideas about this	Give their own ideas about a supreme spirit could exist in everyone and every living thing. Give
belief.	reasons for their ideas.
EXPRESSION	
To compare Christian belief in God	That Christians believe that God created the world and Hindus believe Brahman is everything in the
to Hindu belief in Brahman	world.
To design their own god/goddess	That Christians worship just one God but Hindus worship many different forms of a Supreme Spirit
with its own special attributes.	Brahman.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL - RE LEARNING SEQUENCE

RE: Hinduism – Would visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu?

Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
ENGAGEMENT	That all living things need water to survive.
To know why water is important	That water has multiple uses e.g. drinking, cooking, cleaning, washing.
To consider the uses of water	That a river starts at a source (in the mountains) and ends at it's mouth (in the sea.)
To know where rivers start and end	
INVESTIGATION 1	
To know that Hindus believe the River Ganges is sacred.	That Hindus believe the River Ganges is the Goddess Ganga who has the power to purify. That Hindus bathe in the river because they believe it will wash away their sin. That they throw the ashes of their deceased loved ones in the river because they believe this will enable them to be transported to heaven. That Hindus are baptised in the River Ganges. The River Ganges source is in the Himilayan Mountains and its mouth is in the Bay of Bengal. (Label these on a map.)
To identify the source and end of the River Ganges.	
INVESTIGATION 2	
That many Hindus make a pilgrimage to the River Ganges for a festival called Kumbh Mela To understand that Hindus believe Brahman is in the water as water is	That Hindus travel to bathe in the river to cleanse themselves of sin and because to help them be a good person.
seen as a life source.	That Hindus believe that water is divine (contains Brahman). It is therefore very important to Hindus and every Hindu tries to visit the River Ganges to bathe in it at least once it their lifetime.

INVESTIGATION 3 To know that both Hindus and non-Hindus visit the River Ganges To understand the difference between a tourist and a pilgrim.	That the River Ganges is a popular tourist attraction in India that is visited by both Hindus and non-Hindus. That a tourist is a person who is travelling and visiting a place for pleasure whereas a pilgrim is a person who travels to a sacred place for religious reasons.
EVALUATION To identify reasons why a visit to the River Ganges might be special for both Hindus and non-Hindus	That at trip to the River Ganges would be special to Hindus for religious reasons – to wash away sin, to transport loved ones to heaven, to be baptised. That a trip to the River Ganges would be special to non-Hindus for other reasons – to experience a different culture/belief system, to see somewhere new. Express their own views on visiting the River Ganges.
To reflect upon whether they would like to visit the River Ganges	
EXPRESSION To express their own ideas of the Goddess Ganga and how she came to Earth to form the River Ganges	That the River Ganges was formed when the Hindu Goddess Ganga came to Earth. Represent their own ideas of how this happened through creating a picture.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL – GEOGRAPHY LEARNING SEQUENCE



GEOGRAPHY - RIVERS & ESTUARIES

Enquiry/ Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
Enquiry 1:	Key Knowledge:
What is a river?	A river is a body of water that flows from high ground to low ground due to gravity.
Where does a river begin its	A river begins its journey at a source: as rain or snow (precipitation), a natural spring, a glacier or
journey?	lake high in the mountains. If there are several sources, it is considered to be the highest point.
	However, the source of a river can also be bogland.
Where does a river end its	A river ends its journey when it meets the sea at the river's mouth or an estuary. A river may also end
journey?	its journey by emptying into a lake or another river at a confluence.
Enquiry 2:	Key Knowledge:
Structure - What are the features	Geographers divide rivers into three courses: upper course, middle course and lower course.
of a River?	How to identify and describe the following features: source, valley, channel, basin, tributary, waterfall,
	stream, meander, oxbow lake, floodplain, bank, mouth, current, estuary.
Enquiry 3:	Key Knowledge:
How does a river change on its	The way a river flows and its features are different in each of its three courses.
journey?	source highland lower middle lower
	Upper Course Middle Course Lower Course
	Gradient Steep gradient more gentle gradient gradient gradient
	Velocity Low velocity Faster velocity Fastest velocity
	Features Waterfalls, gorges, and rapids floodplains of the following flood
	Channel Narrow and Wider and deepest

Enquiry 4:	Key Knowledge:
Where do rivers occur?	Rivers occur all over the world and have played a huge role in shaping the Earth's landscape.
What are the World's most	Through investigating digital maps, atlases and maps, locate of the following rivers: Thames,
famous rivers?	Amazon, Nile, Ganges, Mississippi, Yangtze, Murray, Volga.
	Key facts and figures about the above rivers.
Enquiry 5:	Key Knowledge:
What and where are the nearest	Use maps and digital maps to locate the Wirral peninsula, River Mersey, River Dee, Liverpool, North
rivers in our locality?	Wales and the Irish Sea.
Where is the source and the end	River Mersey has two sources: 1. River Tame (West Yorkshire) and 2. at the confluence of the
of the River Mersey?	River's Tame and Goyt, Stockport, Manchester (accepted source. It empties into Liverpool Bay on
	the Irish Sea.
Where is the source and the end	Source of River Dee is county on the slopes of Dduallt Snowdonia National Park, Gwynedd in North
of the River Dee?	Wales.
	The River Dee forms the Dee Estuary and empties into the Irish Sea at Hilbre Island.
Enquiry 6: Human Geography	Key Knowledge:
How have humans shaped and	Understand that humans changed the course of the River Mersey to create the Manchester Ship
used the River Mersey?	Canal to transport goods between Liverpool and Manchester more efficiently.
	Follow the course of the river Mersey to identify industrialisation. Mersey tunnels, bridges, docks and
	ferries, city of Liverpool.
What is a canal?	Canals are artificial channels of water used for shipping, transporting goods, irrigation and leisure.
	Canals can shorten the course of a river and make it more navigable and allow faster transportation.
Enquiry 7: Physical Geography	Key knowledge:
What is the course of the River	Use digital mapping to identify and follow the course of the River Dee from source to mouth.
Dee?	The River Dee (Welsh Afon Dyfrdwy) is approximately 70 miles (110 km) long.
	Some of the features of the River Dee: Bala Lake, Horseshoe Falls, Pontcysyllte Aqueduct, Cheshire
	Plains, weir in Chester, canalised section, Parkgate Marsh, Dee Estuary, Hilbre Island, Irish Sea.

Enquiry 8:	Key Knowledge:
What is an estuary?	An estuary is an area where fresh water from a river meets the salt water of the sea/ocean forming a
Why are estuaries important to	transition zone (ecotone - where two habitats meet).
wildlife?	Where freshwater and saltwater combine the water becomes brackish (slightly salty).
	Ecotones such as estuaries are vital habitats and support an abundance of animal and plant life.
	Through fieldwork, understand the variety of wildlife the Dee Estuary supports and its significance as
	an important ecological site.
Enquiry 9: Fieldwork	Through fieldwork identify:
What can we find out about the	- features of human geography evident in and around the Dee Estuary.
Dee Estuary from through	- features of physical geography in and around the Dee Estuary.
fieldwork?	- the variety of animal, bird, marine and plant life the Dee Estuary supports.
Enquiry 10: (Linked to English)	Key Knowledge:
What is water pollution?	Water pollution is the process by which sources of water such as lakes, rivers and oceans become
	contaminated, usually as a result of human activity. It is a danger to humans, animal and plant life.
How are rivers under threat?	There are four main causes of water pollution:
	Fertilisers and pesticides, industrial waste, oil spillages, dumping waste.
	How the above endangers rivers and waterways.
How can we persuade people to	Use the knowledge gained to write a letter to the local MP persuading them to protect our rivers and
look after rivers?	waterways.

BLACK HORSE HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL – SCIENCE LEARNING SEQUENCE SCIENCE - PLANTS

Enquiry/ Learning Intention	What the children will know/ Essential knowledge
Enquiry 1:	Key Knowledge:
What is a plant?	Plants are living things that: grow, move, are sensitive to change, respire, excrete and reproduce.
	However, plants differ from other living organisms as they make their own food (photosynthesis).
Are all plants the same?	Through observation, realise there exists a huge variety of plant life. Identify what is different and
	what is the same.
Enquiry 2:	Key Knowledge:
Structure - What are the parts of a plant?	Identify and name the main structures of plants: roots, stem, leaves and flower.
Enquiry 3:	Key Knowledge:
What is the function of each part	Each part of a plant has a specific function:
of a plant?	roots - anchor the plant into the ground and absorb water and nutrients from the soil.
	stem (trunk) - holds the plant up (supports), carries water and nutrients from the soil to the leaves.
	leaves - make food for the plant using sunlight and carbon dioxide from the air.
	flower - make seeds to grow into new plants. Petals attract pollinators to the plant.
Enquiry 4:	Key Knowledge:
What do plants need to live and	Through investigation, conclude plants need water, light, air, nutrients from the soil and room to
for healthy growth?	grow.
	Different plants vary in how much of these things they need. For example, cacti can survive in
	areas with little water, whereas water lilies need to live in water.
Enquiry 5:	Key Knowledge:
How is water transported to each	The process of how Water Moves through a Plant:
part of a plant?	1. The roots absorb water from the soil.
	2. The stem transports water to the leaves.
	3. Water evaporates from the leaves.
	4. This evaporation causes more water to be 'sucked up' the stem.

Enquiry 6:	Key knowledge:
Why do plants have flowers?	The flower is responsible for reproduction - the production of new seeds.
	Seeds begin to grow once a flower has been pollinated.
What is pollination?	The role insects play in cross pollination.
Enquiry 7:	Key Knowledge:
How do new seeds form?	The life-cycle of a plant.
	Life Cycle of a Flowering Plant Seed Dispersal The fully formed seeds are moved away from the parent plant. Fertilisation and Seed Formation The pollen joins with an oxule and a seed starts to form. Growing and Flowering The plant grows bigger and forms a flower. Pollination Pollen from the anther lands on the stigma and travels down the style.
Enquiry 8:	Key Knowledge:
How do seeds find somewhere	
to grow?	Seed Dispersal Seeds can be dispersed by: water shaking dropping carrying eating bursting