





St. Botolph's Curriculum Overview - 2026-2027

Year 5

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Country focus	 GREECE			SCANDINAVIA		
English (reading texts)	Weather and climate change Heracles Layers of the rainforest An interview with a mountaineer Muriel Matters and her flying machine Diary of Catherine Parr Growing Seeds Living on shaky ground	The Water Tower Dilema The Highwayman Women in World War 1 Life Cycle of a Flowering Plant Dear Humans In Jack Frost's Pockets Old Foot	Jimmy the Peg Maker The Depths How to make a mummy Escaped Historical Punishment The Contraption	The Listeners Formation of Fossil Fuels Mars Achieved Rewilding Britain To Mr Gladstone	The Case of the Silver Snake Trimdon Grange Disaster Pandemics The Beddgelert Legend Strange Forests Icarus	The Earth's Powerhouses Dystopia Bacteria and viruses To Whoever Finds this Crashed The Island
Class books	The Star Outside My Window, Once, Kensuke's Kingdom, A Kind of Spark, The Borrowers, Alice in Wonderland					
English (writing)	Diary Persuasive letter Non-chronological report	Explanation Narrative Information text	Biography Narrative Letter	Diary Balanced argument	Persuasive brochure Journalistic writing	Instructions Poetry
Mathematics	Place Value Addition & Subtraction Multiplication & Division Fractions		Multiplication & Division Fractions Decimals & Percentages Perimeter & Area Statistics		Shape Position & Direction Decimals Negative Numbers Converting Units Volume	

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Science	Living things and their habitats Differences in life cycles Reproduction in some plants and animals	Properties & changes of materials Properties of everyday materials Dissolving materials in liquid Separating mixtures	Properties & changes of materials Uses of everyday materials. Reversible and irreversible changes.	Forces Gravity Air and water resistance and friction Mechanisms for forces (levers, pulleys and gears)	Earth & Space Movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun Movement of the Moon relative to the Earth Describe the Sun, Earth and Moon Earth's rotation to explain day and night	Animals including humans Changes to old age.
History	Ancient Greece			Viking & Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor		
Geography	Greece - European Country study	Earthquakes and their impact on Greece. Land use, trade and economy		The Countries of Scandinavia, countries & capital cities of Europe. Population & human features	Human geography - the distribution of natural resources	
Art & Design	Watercolour painting	Greek mosaics	Silhouette Relief Painting Clay sculpture	Scandi Art	Rosemaling	Design & make item using fabric using seams
Design & Technology	Baking a pie	Design & make moving horse of Troy		Using linear and cams	Making a mini vacuum cleaner	Design & make item using fabric using seams

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Religious Education	Why is the Torah so important to Jewish people?	Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah?	Why do some people believe in God and some people not?	What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?	For Christians, what kind of king is Jesus?	How can following God bring freedom and justice?
PE	Football	Dodgeball	Gymnastics	Dance	Fitness	Athletics
	Swimming / Outdoor & Adventurous Activities / Hockey / Netball				Cricket	
PSHE	Myself & My Relationships: My Emotions	Myself & My Relationships: Anti Bullying	Healthy & Safer Lifestyles: Personal Safety	Citizenship: Rights, rules & responsibilities	Healthy Lifestyles: Managing Safety & Risk Body Image	Economic Wellbeing: Financial Capability
Computing	Communication & Collaboration Online safety: You won't believe this! Is It Cyberbullying?		Variables In Games Online safety: Digital Friendships Reading News Online		Sensing Movement Online safety: Beyond Gender Stereotypes Finding My Media Balance	
Music	Unit 1 – Happy (<i>Pop/Neo Soul</i>) Charanga Recorders Units 1 - 12 Carol Service		Unit 2: Classroom Jazz (<i>Bacharach and Blues</i>) Charanga Recorders Units 13-28		Unit 4 - You've Got A Friend (<i>70s Ballad/Pop</i>) Unit 6 - Reflect, Rewind & Replay (<i>classical</i>) + Summer production	
Languages	The Date	My Home	Habitats	Clothes	At School	Vikings

