







CHADSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY – Year Group Overview of Themes

Year 5/6 – Cycle 2

Autumn 1 – Pharaohs	Autumn 2 - Alchemy Island	Spring 1 – Off With Her Head
History Focus	Science Focus	History Focus
		
<p>In this topic, we will travel back 5000 years to the dusty realms of ancient Egypt. Cruise along the Nile, enter a world of mysteries and curses, mummies and kings.</p> <p>We will find out about life on the river's fertile banks, discovering Egypt and its fascinating culture. Unravel the secrets of ancient tombs, powerful pharaohs and grandiose gods.</p> <p>As an apprentice for the chief embalmer at the Beautiful House, we will help him prepare a body for its journey into the afterlife.</p> <p>Who knows what treasures we will find?</p>	<p>It's time to suspend our disbelief and open our minds as we journey to Alchemy Island!</p> <p>With a map and riddle in hand, we will go in search of the gold hidden deep om the island's mysterious landscape.</p> <p>On the way, we will learn about gold and master the ancient art of alchemy in an attempt to impress the island's team of ace alchemists.</p> <p>After designing a torch to help us on our journey, and with our map, co-ordinates and everything else we need to make our way across the island, let the journey begin....</p>	<p>We will travel back in time to the 1500s and meet the terrifying Tudors, a domineering dynasty that changed our history.</p> <p>We'll discover an opulent court where dancing and singing goes hand in hand with swift falls from favour – and even swifter falling of head!</p> <p>We'll develop our painting skills and solve riddles while protecting our precious neck with a large white ruff. We will become a criminal investigator finding out the facts. But how will we find the accused... innocent or guilty?</p> <p>It's our turn to take part in one of the most famous trials the world has ever known!</p>
<p>Guided Reading Book: The Phoenix Code – Helen Moss</p>	<p>Guided Reading Book: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – C S Lewis</p>	<p>Guided Reading Book: Treason – Berlie Doherty</p>

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Spring 2 – Stargazers	Summer 1 - Allotment	Summer 2 - Revolution
Science Focus	Geography Focus	History focus
		
<p>We will journey through space, the final frontier...Navigate beyond the Sun, the magnificent, blazing star at the centre of our solar system!</p> <p>We will investigate the eight planets and take a look at the moon. Work scientifically to investigate gravity and what happens when there is none! We will compare the time of day at different places on earth and get in a spin making simple models of the solar system.</p> <p>Then it's 3, 2, 1 .. Blast OFF when we build and launch a rocket for an important test mission.</p>	<p>Let's grow! A crispy carrot, a luscious lettuce or a tasty tomato. We'll be digging deep making our own tubs and planters and nurturing our greens, learning about farms and where food comes from.</p> <p>We'll discover which allotments are closest to our school and open the door to the secret garden.</p> <p>After harvesting our crops, we'll sell our produce and work out our prices to make sure we make a profit not a loss!</p> <p>Will we end up with green fingers?</p>	<p>Are you listening, boy? What is 27 plus 45? Come on – faster now; we haven't got all day!</p> <p>Find out about super-strict schools by travelling back in time to a Victorian classroom.</p> <p>Discover a time when great minds thought new thoughts and ingenious inventors created so many things we take for granted today: the electric light bulb, the telephone and even the flushing loo!</p> <p>Full steam ahead to the Victorian Age!</p>
<p>Guided Reading Book: The Jamie Drake Equation – Christopher Edge</p>	<p>Guided Reading Book: (Y5) The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett (Y6) Skellig – David Almond</p>	<p>Guided Reading Book: Street Child – Berlie Doherty</p>