

# Bumblebees Programme of Inquiry Planner

Class: Bumblebees		Year Group: 1/2		Academic Year: 2025 – 2026		
Theme	<b>Humankind and Ourselves</b>	<b>Culture and Diversity</b>	<b>Community and Citizenship</b>	<b>Exploration and Discovery</b>	<b>Expression and Creativity</b>	<b>Humankind and Ourselves</b>
<b>Summary</b>	Inquiry into the laws governing the natural world, the dynamic interplay between the natural realm (encompassing physical and biological aspects) and human communities, the application of scientific principles by humans, and the repercussions of scientific and technological progress on both society and the environment.	Inquiry into understanding human connections spanning families, friends, communities, and cultures, exploring rights and duties, and pondering the essence of humanity.	Inquiry into the ethical considerations surrounding rights and obligations in the endeavours to equitably distribute limited resources among humans and other living entities, the dynamics of communities and the connections within and between them, the attainment of fair access to opportunities, and the promotion of peace and resolution of conflicts.	Inquiry into our sense of location within space and time, individual life narratives, the concept of home and the journeys we embark upon, the remarkable discoveries, expeditions, and movements of humanity, and the intricate ties and interdependencies between individuals and societies, viewed from both local and global vantage points.	Inquiry into the methods by which we uncover and convey thoughts, emotions, the natural world, culture, convictions, and principles; the strategies through which we ponder, expand, and take pleasure in our creativity; our recognition of the aesthetic	Inquiry into oneself, examining beliefs and values, assessing personal well-being encompassing physical, mental, social, and spiritual aspects,
<b>Inquiry Title</b>	Fabulous flight	Marvellous monarchs	London's Inferno	Exploring habitats	The art of our village	My Home, My World
<b>Key Concepts</b>	Reflection Function Change	Form Change Reflection	Causation Perspective Change	Form Causation Function	Form Reflection Connection	Form Change Connection
<b>Lines of Inquiry</b>	How do we know about the invention and flight of the first motor powered aeroplane? (reflection)  What adaptations had to be made to early flight attempts? (function)  How did the Wright brothers transform flight? (change)	The queens reigned during different periods of history (form)  Significant changes occurred during their reigns which impact our lives today (change)  Historical resources help us to learn about the queens and their influence (reflection)	How a significant event led to the transformation of London (causation)  Historical evidence can help us understand how the Great Fire started (perspective)  Events from the past shape how our world looks today (function)	How can we describe the location of hot and cold places? (form)  How living things are suited to their habitats (causation)  How living things depend upon one another for survival (function)	How people observe and represent places (form)  How plants grow and change over time (change)  How people and places are connected (connection)	What materials are homes built from (form)  How have buildings changed over time? (change)  What are the similarities and differences between homes from different periods? (connection)
<b>Core Text</b>	Rosie Revere, Engineer by Andrea Beaty  Emma Jane's Aeroplane by Katie Haworth & Daniel Rieley	Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine by Gloria Whelan & Nancy Carpenter  Kings And Queens (Puffin Poetry) by Eleanor and Herbert Farjeon	The Great Fire of London by Emma Adams and James Weston Lewis  Vlad & the Great Fire of London by Kate Cunningham	The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpogo  Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett	The Promise by Nicola Davies  I am the seed that grew the tree by Fiona Waters	The three little wolves and the big bad pig by Eugene Trivizas  Step inside homes through history by Goldie Hawk

Action Visitor / Trip	Aerospace Bristol	Pantomime	Somerset Museum workshop? Fire Engine Visit?	Zoo visit? Easter crosses walk	Local walks	Victorian House and Homes workshop Somerset rural life museum
Interleaving Subjects	History Geography	History	History DT Science	Science Geography Computing	Geography Art Science	History Science
Discrete Subjects	Science Art Music Computing	Science DT Music Computing	Music Computing	Art Music	Geography Computing Music	Geography Computing
English	Short explanation, advertisement, letter of advice, school report card (character description), invention description <b>Explanation text</b>  <b>Short story</b> Postcards	Write a description, persuade people to buy an invention, write in role <b>Instructions</b>  <b>If I were the king poems</b>	Persuasive posters, warning posters (instructional writing), speech bubbles, letters of advice, certificates <b>Information Booklet</b>  <b>Own version narrative</b>	Setting description <b>Non-chronological report</b>  Past tense, adjectives, noun phrases, postcards, <b>write a letter in role</b>	Nature poem, <b>transformation narrative</b>	Posters, letters of advice, descriptions, writing in role, recipes <b>Own version narrative</b>  Character comparisons, fact sheets, shared poem, own version narratives <b>How to guide</b>
Science	Y1 Seasonal Changes (inc Autumn)  Y2 Animals including humans		Y1 Seasonal Changes (Winter) Y1 Everyday materials  Y2 Use of everyday materials	Y1 Animals including humans  Y2 Living things and their habitat	Y1 Seasonal Changes (Spring)  Y1 Plants  Y2 Plants	Y1 Seasonal Changes (Summer)  Y1 Everyday Materials  Y2 Uses of Everyday Materials
History	Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally: First aeroplane flight	The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Some should be used to compare aspects of life in different periods. Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria	Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally: The Great Fire of London			Changes within living memory – Homes
Geography	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom (including Autumn)  Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans			Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom – Winter  Location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom - Spring  Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom - Summer

Art	Spirals Artist: Kandinsky	Christmas Cards Calendars		Easter Cards	Inspired by Flora and Fauna	
DT		Cooking and nutrition: Healthy lunch (Y2 Science)	Mechanisms: Fire engines			Moving pictures
Music Y1	Move to the beat – exploring pulse and rhythm		Exploring sounds		High and low – exploring pitch	
Computing	Computing systems and networks	Creating media: Digital writing	Creating media: Digital painting	Data and information: Grouping data	Programming A: Moving a robot	Programming A: Robot algorithms
PSHE Y1	Being me in my world	Celebrating differences	Dreams and goals	Healthy me	Relationships	Changing me
RE	What do Christian people believe about God?	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	What do Christians believe God is like?	Why does Easter matter to Christians?	What do Hindu stories teach about life and the world?	Places of worship: what makes them sacred?