

Topic Thread Definitions



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Identity	Our Story So Far	Our Environment: Local and Global	Community – Empathy	Growth and Changes	Curiosity
Vision	Linking to the school's vision, we aspire for all members to achieve their potential as individuals, while showing love for one another. Understanding that we are all different but all special means that we can live and work in harmony.	As Shelford's vision explains, we aspire for all members to understand how our community of life-long learners has come to be as it is now.	In-line with our prioritisation of internationalism, we recognise that we belong to a local and global community of life-long learners.	Our vision states that we aspire to show love for one another. This is an application of empathy, which enables us to live and work in harmony in our community of life-long learners.	We aspire for everyone to achieve their potential. This in itself is the effect of growth and change.	Our vision sets out that we aspire for all of us in our community to achieve our potential. Being curious enables us to ask and explore questions, wonder and learn. We aim for this to form foundations for all of us to become life- long learners.
Why for our Learners?	Pupils at Shelford should explore what makes them unique and special at the same time as understanding what makes others special. Pupils at Shelford should understand the wide range of features that make up an identity – including the identity of people, places and countries.	Pupils at Shelford should explore a story that has had impact for our community, society or country.	Pupils at Shelford should explore features of our environment or the environment further afield, encouraging pupils to compare (either between places or times)	Pupils at Shelford explore the theme of what makes a community – either one element or many. This will include exploring themes to promote empathy for others.	Pupils at Shelford should understand how different growth and changes have causes positive impact on how we live now.	Pupils at Shelford should be inquisitive and curious about the world around us: what is in it; how that came to be and whether it needs to change.
Overview of outcomes: what does it entail?	Key themes of personal identity and the identity of each other, understanding what makes each of us unique and showing respect for that.	Key themes of a story relevant to our community are explored. These stories have an impact, which will have caused changes to how we live and think now.	Local themes and global themes – especially those relating to human and physical geography are covered. In addition, ongoing focus on concern for the	Themes such as injustice, preferences, discrimination and how the theme of community (or one aspect of a community) has evolved	Themes of growth are covered, such as: observation of growth in nature; growth of my locality; growth in civilisations	Themes of wonder, intrigue and discovery make up the thread of curiosity. There may be a particular focus on the natural world or how the

		environment with	through time are	human world is now due
The them	e of	respect to weather and	covered.	to a specific focus.
uniqueness is e	xpanded	choice of materials may		
on in some t	opics,	be covered.		
linking to vari	ation of			
species, evolut	ion, DNA			
etc.				
Key themes	in the			
identity of our o	country –			
understandi	ng the			
historical	and			
geographical	changes			
that make our	country.			