

Overview of texts: Year 2 to Year 6

Year group	Autumn term		Spring term		Summer term	
2	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Troll by Julia Donaldson The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Mara Alperin Genre – Fiction: fantasy, Fiction: fairytale	Above and Below by Patricia Hegarty Genre – Information	The Dragonsitter by Josh Lacey, Real Dragons! by Jennifer Szymanski (National Geographic Kids series) Genre – Recount: emails, Information	Owen and the Soldier by Lisa Thompson The Steadfast Tin Soldier (free online version) Genre – Fiction: story with a familiar setting	Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl Genre – Fiction: adventure	Grimm’s Fairytales (Usborne Books) Genre – Fiction: fairytale
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	The Sea Book by Charlotte Milner Genre – Information	Ice Palace by Robert Swindells Genre – Fiction: adventure	The Iron Man by Ted Hughes, The Iron Giant (film, 1999) Genre – Fiction: fantasy	The Morning I Met a Whale by Michael Morpurgo, Why would anyone hurt a whale? by The Literacy Company Genre – Fiction: adventure, Information	Usborne Illustrated Atlas of Britain and Ireland by Struan Reid, Up (film clip, Disney) Genre – Information	Egyptian Cinderella by Shirley Climo, Wonderful Things by The Literacy Company Genre – Recount, Fiction: historical/ traditional tale
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	A World Full of Animal Stories: 50 Folk Tales and Legends by Angela McAllister Genre – Fiction: traditional tales	The Train to Impossible Places by P.G. Bell Genre – Fiction: fantasy	DKfindout! Volcanoes by Maria Gill Genre – Information	Ariki and the Island of Wonders by Nicola Davies Genre – Fiction: adventure	Fantastically Great Women who Saved the Planet by Kate Pankhurst Plastic Pollution by The Literacy Company Genre – Recount: biography, Information	A Myth-Hunter’s Travel Guide by The Literacy Company Genre – Information
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	Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls by Elena Favilli Genre – Biography	Hansel and Gretel by Neil Gaiman Genre – Fiction: traditional tale	Odd and the Frost Giants by Neil Gaiman Genre – Fiction: myths and legends	Exploring Space by The Literacy Company, Planet Unknown by Shawn Wang (film) Genre – Information, Film	The Last Wild by Piers Torday, Rubbish – a look behind the scenes by The Literacy Company Genre – Persuasion/ Information Fiction: contemporary	African Tales: A Barefoot Collection by Gcina Mhlophe and Rachel Griffin Genre – Fiction: books from other cultures and traditions
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	Poems from the Second World War selected by Gaby Morgan, When we were Warriors by Emma Carroll Genre – Poetry, Fiction: historical	Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling (Macmillan), Martha’s Suitcase by The Literacy Company Genre – Fiction: classic Information	The Happy Prince and Other Tales by Oscar Wilde Genre – Fiction: classic	The Explorer by Katherine Rundell, Exploring the Amazon by The Literacy Company Genre – Information, Fiction: contemporary	Great Adventurers by Alistair Humphreys Genre – Information	Sky Chasers by Emma Carroll Genre – Fiction: adventure

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Ongoing skills:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen to, discuss and express views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently Become increasingly familiar with and retell a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales Participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them and those that they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say Explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that they listen to and those that they read for themselves Recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry Draw on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary Check that the text makes sense to them as they read and correct inaccurate reading Recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry 						
Predict: Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far						
Clarify vocabulary: Discuss and clarify meaning of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary						
Retrieve: Answer and ask questions						
Mastery focus:						
Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done Discuss the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related	Answer and ask questions Introduce non-fiction books that are structured in different ways	Answer and ask questions Introduce non-fiction books that are structured in different ways Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	Discuss their favourite words and phrases Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	Discuss the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	Discuss their favourite words and phrases Answer and ask questions	

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Ongoing skills:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks • Read books that are structured in different ways and read for a range of purposes • Increase their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retell some of these orally • Check that the text makes sense to them and discuss their understanding • Participate in discussion about books 						
Predict: Predict what might happen from details stated and implied						
Clarify vocabulary: Explain meaning of words in context						
Retrieve: Retrieve and record information						
Mastery focus:						
Identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books	Discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination	Identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books	Discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination	Use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read	Use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read	Identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks Read books that are structured in different ways and read for a range of purposes Increase their familiarity with a wide range of books, including myths, legends and traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions Participate in discussion about books Ask questions to improve understanding Explain and discuss understanding of reading Provide reasoned justifications for views Recommend books to peers 						
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	Mastery focus: Draw inferences (inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions); justify with evidence Make comparisons within and across books	Evaluate authors' language choice, including figurative language Identify and discuss themes and conventions Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph, identifying key details	Make comparisons within and across books Draw inferences (inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions); justify with evidence	Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph, identifying key details Distinguish between fact and opinion Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning	Draw inferences (inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions); justify with evidence Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning	Evaluate authors' language choice, including figurative language Draw inferences (inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions); justify with evidence Identify and discuss themes and conventions

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