

Year One 'Story time' Reading Overview – 2024-2025

Autumn One – reading theme: Journeys and Exploration

Week	Suggested texts	Curriculum link	Writing Unit
Week 1	Read stories about class animal The tiger who came to tea – Judith Kerr	Literacy - books based on familiar places	Bog Baby
Week 2	A little bit brave - Nicola Kinnear	PSHE – new beginnings	
	My Monster and Me – Nadiya Hussain POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	PSHE – worry Diversity represented	
Week 3	I am enough – Grace Byers	Individual liberty Diversity	Astro Girl
	By the light of the moon – Tom Percival POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	Literacy – Space theme PSHE – emotions / moving	
Week 4	My Pet star - Corrinne Averiss	Literacy – space link Diversity	
	The Flying bath – Julia Donaldson	Literacy - journeys and exploration	
	The first Hippo on the moon – David Walliams	Literacy – space / humour	
Week 5	Space – non fiction text		A Cloudy Lesson
	The colour monster - Anna Llenas	PSHE – emotions	
	Be Brave little Penguin – Giles Andreae	PSHE – worry and bravery	
Week 6	Look Up! Nathan Bryon	Diversity	
	Space Dog – Mini Grey POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	Literacy – space theme	

Autumn Two – reading theme: Heroes and Villains

Week	Suggested texts	Curriculum link	Writing Unit
Week 1	This is not my hat – Jon Klassen	Literacy – same author	I want my hat back
	We found a hat – Jon Klassen POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	Literacy – same author	
Week 2	Not Now Bernard – David McKee	Literacy - books based on familiar places	
	Cops and Robbers – Allan Ahlberg POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	British Values – rules and law	
Week 3	Billy and the Draagon – Nadia Shireen	Strong women role model Diversity	Send For A Superhero
	Winnie the Pooh POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	British Heritage text	
Week 4	The Queen's hat	British values – royalty	
	The Queen's handbag POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	British values – royalty	
Week 5	Supertato – select from range of stories in series	Literacy	Mog's Christmas Calamity
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS		
Week 6	Avocado Baby – John Burningham	Literacy - classic story / hero link	
	The Jolly Christmas Postman – Janet and Allan Ahlberg	Classic text	
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS		

Spring One– reading theme: Similarities and Differences				
Week	Suggested texts	Curriculum link	Writing Unit	
Week 1	Dogs don't do ballet	Individual liberty – being yourself	Beegu	
	The Way Back Home – Oliver Jeffers	Literacy – Same author		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 2	Arlo the lion who couldn't sleep – Catherine Rayner			
	The mixed up chameleon – Eric Carle	Individual liberty – being yourself		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 3	Famous people stories – Jesse Owens	Diversity	The Odd Egg	
	Famous people stories – David Attenborough	Science		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 4	Daisy the Dolphin: a book about making good choices – Natalie Pritchard	PSHE – choices		
	Boogie Bear – David Walliams	PSHE – difference		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 5	Stuck – Oliver Jeffers	Literacy – Same author		
	The Way back home - Oliver Jeffers	Literacy – Same author		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 6	The New Jumper (The Hueys) Oliver Jeffers	Literacy – Same author PSHE – individuality		
	The Great Paper Caper - Oliver Jeffers	Literacy – Same author		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS	Poetry		
Spring Two– reading theme: Nature and Environment				
Week	Suggested texts	Curriculum link	Writing Unit	
Week 1	The Tiny Seed – Eric Carle	Science	Dinosaurs and all that rubbish	
	Jasper's Beanstalk – Nick Butterworth	Science		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 2	Ada Twist Scientist – Andrea Beaty	Strong women role model		
	Ravi's Roar: Tom Percival	PSHE - anger		
	The Journey home – Frann Preston - Gannon	Science / environment		
Week 3-4	Bloom (Hope in a scary World) – Anne Booth	PSHE / British values	There's a rang-tan in my bedroom	
	The Enormous Crocodile – Roald Dahl	Literacy – longer text Popular classic		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 5	Clean up – Nathan Bryon	Science and environment	The Sea Saw	
	A dress with pockets – Lily Murray	PSHE – individualism		
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS			
Week 6	Roald Dahl's revolting rhymes	Poetry		
	Once upon a raindrop – The story of water– James Carter	Science – link to plants		

Summer One : Friendship and Kindness

Week	Suggested texts	Curriculum link	Writing Unit
Week 1	Penguin – Polly Dunbar	Literacy – link to writing text for comparison	Lost and Found
	Wind in the willows – shortened version	British Heritage text	
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS		
Week 2	Monkey Puzzle – Julia Donaldson	Literacy – comparison text	Pig the Pug
	A bit lost – Chris Haughton	Literacy – comparison text	
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS		
Week 3	Dogger	PSHE – kindness Literacy – lost theme	
	The Paper Dolls – Julia Donaldson	Literacy – lost theme	
	Nothing – Mick Inkpen	Literacy – lost and found theme	
Week 4	Molly Rogers to the rescue – Cornelia Funke	Strong women role model Diversity	How to be a dog
	Oof makes an ouch – Duncan Beedie	PSHE – friendship	
	POETRY / RHYMES / SONGS		
Week 5	Jamaica's Find – Anne Sibley O'Brien	Literacy – Lost and found PSHE and diversity	
	Izzy Gizmo – Pip Jones	Strong women role model	
	Lubna and Pebble – Wendy Meddour	Diversity	
Week 6	Sofia Valdez – Future Prez	Strong women role model	
	Sully the seahorse: A book about self esteem and resilience – Natalie Pritchard	PSHE – resilience	
	The Everywhere bear – Julia Donaldson	Literacy – lost theme	

Summer Two: Fantasy and Fairy tale

Week	Suggested texts	Curriculum link	Writing Unit
Week 1	The Gingerbread man	Literacy – Fairy tales	Clockwork dragon
	Jack and the beanstalk	Literacy – Fairy tales	
	Hansel and Gretel – Bethan Woollvin	Literacy – Fairy tales	
Week 2-3	Puss in Boots	Literacy – Fairy tales	
	Rapunzel – Bethan Woollvin	Literacy – Fairy tales	
	The enormous turnip	Literacy – Fairytales	
Week 4	Cinnamon – Neil Gaiman	Literacy – woman character	Little Red
	The Ugly Duckling	Literacy – fairy tales	
	Alice in Wonderland	British Heritage text	
Week 5	Peter Pan	British Heritage text	
	The Great Fairytale disaster – David Conway	Literacy – twisted tale	
	Goldilocks and the 3 bears and 33 – Allan Ahlberg	Literacy – twisted tale	
Week 6	The Pea and the princess – Mini Grey	Literacy – twisted tale	
	Three Little Wolves and the big bad pig – Eugene Trivizas	Literacy – twisted tale	
	Ruby's big worry – Tom Percival	PSHE – emotions – moving on	