

Whole School Core Texts and Writing Progression Document 2025-2026

Reception	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Core Texts		
	Bog Baby Bog Baby	NO STORY OF THE PROPERTY OF TH	SUPERMORM Control of the New York State New Discourse New York State N
	ed ners	The Three Little Pige	SIGHT DE STATES
	Grummy Frog. Ed Voro	There is no Dragon in this Story-Lou Carter	
	Grumpy Frog- Ed Vere Room On The Broom-Julia Donaldson	Oliver's Vegetables- Alison Bartlett and	Superworm- Julia Donaldson
	Bog Baby- Jeanne Willis	Vivien French	Mad About Minibeasts -Giles Andre
	Bog baby- Jeanne Willis	Three Little Pigs -Traditional Tale	The Pirates Next Door – Jonny Duddle
		A Little Seed (book and film)-Mabel Watts	The Night Pirates- Peter Harris
		Farmer Duck – Martin Waddell	Somebody Swallowed Stanley- Sarah
			Roberts
	Writing Outcomes		
	Labels – Use initial sounds then CVC	Captions / Labels/ simple phrases	Captions / Labels/ simple phrases and
	words. Develop awareness of Rhyme and	Recount – Describe a story character and a	sentences
	alliteration.	farm animal (Farm visit link).	List- Bug hunt
	Recount – Who travels on the broom.	Instructions – Plant a seed	Recount – Imagined journey on a ship. What
	Instructions – Order the animals on the	Narrative – Describe what a familiar	can you see.
	broom in a list.	character is doing using a simple phrase.	Instructions – Save our oceans.
		Verbally create and sequence a story.	Narrative – Describe a character from a story using a sentence.

Year 1	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Core Texts and stimulus		
	The Tiger Who Came to Tea – Judith Kerr		The Gruffalo - Julia Donaldson
	Julian the mermaid – Jessica Love	Three Little Pigs – Nick Sharratt	The Extraordinary Gardener - Sam Boughton
	Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers	Goldilocks and the Three Bears – Mara	
		Alperin (revisit)	
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	Writing Outcomes		
	Names/Captions/Labels/simple phrases	Narrative – A short section of the 3 Little Pigs	Recount – Trip to Sandall Beat woods
	Transcription skills	story.	Letter -Thank you letter
	Recount – Penguin recalls the things he has	Information Poster – LOST animal	Narrative – description of a forest area
	seen on his journey.	Instructions – How can the tiger make a cup	Instructions - How to grow a plant (planting
	Instructions – Linked to Julian is a mermaid	of tea?	seeds in Science and observing)
		Narrative – Goldilocks explains her side of	Poetry - Acrostic poem about Year 1
		the story.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
		Instructions – Instructions showing how to make a jam sandwich.	

Year 2	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Core Texts and stimulus		

The Friendship Bench - Wendy Meddour The Disgusting Sandwich - Gareth Edwards





The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry
The Vanishing Rainforest – Richard Platt





Grandad's Secret Giant - David Litchfield The Day the Crayons Quit - Oliver Jeffers





Writing Outcomes

Narrative - simple retell of The Friendship Bench - focus on basic sentence structure, capital letters and full tops.

Instructions – The Disgusting Sandwich - how to make a disgusting sandwich

Letter – Thank you letter after trip to Conisbrough Castle. Focus on time conjunctions and past tense.

Recount – Doncaster Racecourse. (Links to Heritage and Community topic)

Narrative - setting description

Information text/fact file – The rainforest

Narrative – based on The Great Kapok Tree.

Character description – Linked to Grandad's Secret Giant

Letter – The Day the crayons Quit

Diary Entry

Instructions - How to make a healthy snack

Year 3	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Core Texts and stimulus		
	Stone Age Boy – Satoshi Kitamura	Wonka	Escape from Pompeii – Christina Balit
	DK Findout! Stone Age – DK and Klint Janulis	The Boy Who Grew Dragons - Andy Shepherd	DK Findout: Ancient Rome
		The Fossil Hunter - Kate Winter	Flood - Avaro F Villa

How to wash a woolly mammoth - Michelle Robinson

Toby and the Ice Giants - Joe Lillington The Wild Way Home - Sophie Kirtley

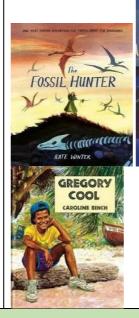




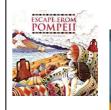


Stone Girl Bone Girl - Laurence Anholt Gregory Cool - Caroline Binch













Writing Outcomes

Narrative – based around Stone Age Boy Recount – Visit to Murton Park Instructions – based on How to Wash a Wooly Mammoth

Poetry - shape poem about Christmas

Non-chronological report – Doncaster Dome as part of Heritage project

Narrative – setting description based on Wonka/Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Diary entry - from viewpoint of one of the children in the story Flood

Narrative – Escape from Pompeii

Non-chronological report – Romans

	Formal letter - linked to The Boy Who Grew	
	Dragons	

Year 4	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Core Texts and stimulus		

Core Texts:

Beowulf Bonebreaker - Peter J Murray The Dragon's Hoard Attack of the Vikings -Tony Bradman









Core Texts:

When the Mountains Roared - Jess Butterworth The Lost Whale - Hannah Gold Everest - Alexandra Stweart, Joe Todd-Stanton Way Home - Libby Hathorn





Fox - Margaret Wild, Ron Brooks
One Plastic Bag - Miranda Paul
Drawn to Change the World - Emma Reynolds
Protect the Planet - Jess French



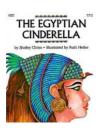


Writing Outcomes

Instructions – How to be a great TTRS player Explanations – Knit-o-matic Machine Diary Entry linked to Bonebreaker Informal Letter to Year 3 Poetry - Link to Heritage Non Chronological report about mountain animals Narrative – new chapter in When the Mountains Roared Report – Ascent of Everest Narrative Recount – Fox Formal Letter Discussion Text – Plastic Pollution

Year 5	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Core Texts and stimulus		
	Secrets of a Sun King – Emma Carroll	Boy of the Deeps – Ian Wallace	Hidden Figures - Margot Lee Shetterley

Egyptian Cinderella - Shirley Climo





Birdie - JP Rose A River – Marc Martin

The Giant's Necklace – Michael Morpurgo









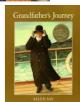
The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad - Saviour Pirotta Grandfather's Journey - Allen Say

Journey – Aaron Becker









Writing Outcomes

Narrative - Setting description

The River Nile

Newspaper report – the Discovery of

Tutankhamun's tomb

Discussion text - Should the Rosetta Stone be returned to Egypt

Narrative – Ancient tomb mystery story

Poem – River Poem inspired by 'A River' by Marc Martin

Non-chronological report –linked to mining Diary entry – The diary of a child miner

Formal letter - Linked to Doncaster Great Green Read (sustainability and the environment)

Newspaper report - Missing person report

linked to The Giant's Necklace

Biography – of Katherine Johnson, link to text Hidden Figures and STEM week

Persuasive advert – to persuade people to visit the House of Wisdom

Narrative – Linked to Journey by Aaron Becker Explanation Text - link to Earth and Space

Year 6

Autumn

Spring

Core Texts and stimulus

Summer

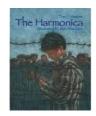
When the sky falls - Phil Earle Rose Blanchard – Christophe Gallaz The Harmonica - Tony Johnston Windrush Child – Benjamin Zephaniah Alan Turning - Little People, Big Dreams



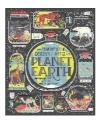




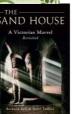




Darwin's Dragons – Lindsay Galvin The Sand House The Incredible Ecosystem of Planet Earth – Rachel Ignotofsky

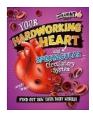








Your Hardworking Heart – Paul Mason The Iliad - Homer





Writing Outcomes

Letter (Informal) - children write as an evacuee writing home

Narrative (Historical Fiction) - Rose Blanche
Poem – World War 11 as part of Remembrance
Day celebrations

Biography – Alan Turing (Social Justice)

Balanced Argument – The Sand House (Heritage Project)

Report (Non-chronological) - report about planet Pandora based on 'The Incredible Ecosystem of Planet Earth' and The World of Avatar

Explanation – create a double page spread explaining how the heart works, science link **Instructions** - How to be the perfect student **Letter** (Formal) - Letter of complaint about a holiday from hell.

	Narrative - (Thriller/ Ghost Story) - Ghost:	
	Thirteen Haunting Tales to Tell	