

**ENGLISH CURRICULUM OVERVIEW**

**Year 4**

	Autumn Term	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Summer Term
Main Themes & Focuses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Traditional tales and fables</li> <li>●Information</li> <li>●Instructions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Fantasy stories</li> <li>●Persuasion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Stories from other cultures</li> <li>●Exploring form poetry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Stories with issues and dilemmas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Explanation</li> <li>●Creating imagery poetry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Recount (newspapers)</li> <li>●Playscripts</li> </ul>
Core Books	<p>Aesop’s Fables (Michael Rosen)                      How the Whale became: and Other Stories (Ted Hughes)                      Who were the Romans? (Phil Roxbee Cox)                      A Visitor’s guide to Ancient Rome (Lesley Sims)</p>	<p>The Iron Man (Ted Hughes)                      I was a Rat (Philip Pullman)</p>	<p>The Tiger Child (Joanna Troughton)                      Haikus, Kennings and Shape Poems</p>	<p>Varjak Paw by SF Said                      The Tunnel (Anthony Browne)                      Bill’s New Frock (Anne Fine)</p>	<p>Collins My First Book of Earthquakes and Volcanoes                      Until I Met Dudley: How Everyday Things Really Work (Roger McGough)                      Wind Poems (Christina Rosetti)                      The Works chosen (Paul Cookson)</p>	<p>Newspapers                      Diary of a Killer Cat (Anne Fine)                      The BFG: A set of plays (Roald Dahl)                      The Twits: Plays for Children</p>
Other Texts	<p>The Orchard book of Roman Myths (Geraldine Mccaughrean)                      Just So Stories (Rudyard Kipling)                      Aesop’s Fables (Aesop)                      A selection of non-fiction texts</p>	<p>Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone (JK Rowling)                      The Snow Spider (Jenny Nimmo)</p>	<p>Grandpa Chatterji (Jamila Gavin)</p>	<p>Butterfly Lion (Michael Morpurgo)                      Bad Girls (Jaqueline Wilson)</p>	<p>The Firework Maker’s Daughter (Phillip Pullman)                      A selection of non-fiction texts</p>	<p>The BFG (Roald Dahl)                      The Twits (Roald Dahl)</p>
Poetry	<p>Acrostic Poems</p>	<p>Performance poetry</p>	<p>Poems from other cultures</p>	<p>Alliteration poems</p>	<p>A selection of poems by Pie Corbett</p>	<p>A selection of poems from Revolting Rhymes by Roald Dahl</p>

<p><b>Grammar, Punctuation &amp; Spelling (GPS)</b></p>	<p>Words that are often misspelt. Check a spelling in a dictionary. Use a thesaurus. Dictation, including words taught so far. Extend range of sentences with more than one clause. Conjunctions, including: when, if, because, although. Present perfect form of verbs. Using and punctuating direct speech. Grammatical terminology.</p>	<p>Continue with work from Autumn Term. Homophones and homonyms. Dictation, including words and punctuation taught so far. Conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause. Nouns, verbs, adverbs and adjectives. Possessive apostrophe with irregular plural nouns. Grammatical terminology.</p>	<p>Continue with work from Spring Term. Synonyms and antonyms. Prefixes. Dictation, including words and punctuation taught so far. Commas after fronted adverbials. Phrases and clauses. Commas to show subordination. Grammatical terminology.</p>
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