English Curriculum Overview 2024-2025 Year Group: 6



Our English curriculum aims to ensure all pupils:

- read easily, fluently and with good understanding
- develop the habit of reading widely and often, for both pleasure and information
- acquire a wide vocabulary, an understanding of grammar and knowledge of linguistic conventions for reading, writing and spoken language
- appreciate our rich and varied literary heritage
- write clearly, accurately and coherently, adapting their language and style in and for a range of contexts, purposes and audiences
- use discussion in order to learn; they should be able to elaborate and explain clearly their understanding and ideas
- are competent in the arts of speaking and listening, making formal presentations, demonstrating to others and participating in debate.



	Autumn 1		Autumn 2	
Genre / Text Type	Poetry (4 weeks)	Persuasive writing (3 weeks)	Balanced argument (2 weeks)	Narrative (4 weeks plus 1 publishing week)
Possible Novels / Extracts	I Met at Eve and Silver- Walter De La Mare Metaphor/personification poems 22,26,27 (Model writing bk p151 poetry section) A kid in my class- Rachel Rooney	Persuasive texts e.g. places of interest (Kenwood, local areas, holiday destinations), current topics of interest 'Teachers eating chocolate in schools'	Shakespeare- Romeo and Juliet/ Macbeth Simplified and original versions of the plays, play scripts of Shakespeare	Short spy story extracts James Bond – Ian Fleming Pigeon Impossible film clip
Read aloud opportunities	Overheard in a tower block- Joseph Coelho Range of poetry	Read each other's texts aloud A range of persuasive leaflets Books from other cultures and traditions	A range of Shakespeare's plays London Eye Mystery- class reader	Extracts from Stormbreaker, Ruby Redford, SilverFin by Charlie Higson
Punctuation and Grammar	Figurative language- metaphors, similes and personification Use of resources to make effective vocabulary choices To use adjectives to add detail and precise verbs to create effect Expanded noun phrases Punctuation- commas, semi-colons	Range of parenthesis- brackets and dashes and hyphens, semi colons and colons Subordination- clauses and conjunctions Imperative and modal verbs Subjunctive form/active voice Fronted adverbials	Continue with persuasive features Range of parenthesis- brackets and dashes and hyphens, semi colons and colons To understand how apostrophes are used for omission and possession Use of punctuation for direct speechwithin and before inverted commas	Length of sentences to build/ reveal tension Range of sentence types to add interest Phrases, clauses, sentences- use of subordinate clauses- conjunctions Paragraphs for cohesion Correct use of dialogue to move the story along
Spelling / Handwriting	Suffix- cial, tial suffix-ant, ance, ancy suffix-ent, ence, ency suffix-able, ably, ible, ibly	Adding suffixes to words ending in –fer referred, referral, referring Use of the hyphen	Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c Words containing the string -ough-	Words with 'silent' letters- which cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word



	Spring 1		Spring 2	
Genre / Text Type	Recounts-Diaries (4 weeks)	Recounts-Letters (phase one and two) (2 weeks)	Recounts-Letters (phase three and four) (2 weeks)	Non-chronological/ information texts (4 weeks)
Possible Novels / Extracts	Anne Frank's diary Goodnight Mister Tom Carrie's War	Goodnight Mister Tom Carrie's War	Selection of letters from archives of WWII Sainsbury's advert 1914 letter home inspiration	Biographies- Judith Kerr, M Marjorian, rationing recipes, evacuation information, eye-witness accounts Non-chronological report focus on an aspect of WWII
Read aloud opportunities	When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit Private Peaceful/ Goodnight Mr Tom	When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit Private Peaceful/ Goodnight Mr Tom	Goodnight Mr Tom	Goodnight Mr Tom
Punctuation and Grammar	Nouns and expanded noun phrases Tenses: present, past, future to include present perfect, past progressive Verbs: infinitive and auxiliary verbs modal and imperative Adverbs and adverbial phrases	Range of sentence length to include relative clauses and conjunctions Use of commas Use of semi-colons and colons Subjunctive form	Consider shift in letter formality - formal, informal, tone, address, layout	Paragraphing to group related ideas Headings/ subheadings Use of technical vocabulary Clauses to add detail - and relative Parenthesis- including hyphens Use of passive voice Superlatives /comparatives
Spelling / Handwriting	Words from National Curriculum List for years 5 and 6 Prefixes and suffixes	Words from National Curriculum List for years 5 and 6	SATs practice papers	SATs practice papers

	Summer 1		Summer 2		
Genre / Text Type	SATs preparation Week 1-3	Newspaper reports Week 4-5	Narrative (6 weeks)	Instructional writing (1 week)	
Possible Novels / Extracts		The Week and First news and other relevant articles in local papers Newspaper reports of current events – Sports event, new theme park opening (linked to Maths), Production,	The Phantom Tollbooth	Instructional writing (to explain how to do something- e.g. easy lava lamp) linked to DT- the making process for pencil cases, board game	
Read aloud opportunities			The Phantom Tollbooth		
Punctuation and Grammar	Weeks 1-3 SATs Reading and Grammar practice papers and addressing misconceptions	Range of adverbials- time and place Use of passive voice Use of formal/impersonal tone Range of cohesive devices Headline/ byline/ introduction	Puns and idioms Vocabulary work Phrases, clauses, sentences- use of subordinate clauses- conjunctions Short burst writing tasks- Character description and Setting description Range of sentence types to add interest Paragraphs for cohesion	Range of adverbials- time and place Use of passive voice Use of formal/impersonal tone Range of cohesive devices Sub headings Diagrams / Captions	
Spelling	SATs practice papers				

