Year 2 English Overview

Ongoing objectives: Throughout the year children will continue to:

To secure the use of full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks and question marks.

Orally rehearse each sentence prior to writing

Develop a positive attitude to writing.

Develop stamina for writing in order to write at length.

Evaluate and proofread work to check for errors in spelling, grammar (including using the correct forms of verbs) and punctuation.

Read aloud their writing with intonation to make the meaning clear.

To be able to orally retell a wider range of stories, fairy tales and traditional tales (to be additional to English units):

Year 2: The Enormous Turnip, Snow White and Rose Red, The Magic Porridge pot, The Little Red Hen

Recap on the following:

Year 1:3 Billy Goats Gruff, Hansel and Gretel, Snow White, Rapunzel, Elves and the Shoemaker

Reception: Goldilocks, Little Red Riding Hood, Gingerbread man, 3 little pigs, Jack and the Beanstalk

Term	Topic	Duration	Skills/outcomes
Autumn 1 Narrative	Fiction – Narrative -Story writing – The Jolly Postman Pie Corbett	2 weeks	 Write about fictional events using the past tense. Plan and act out own story plans/maps: innovating characters, problem, endings Act out and retell their version of the story. Proof read and edit work.
Autumn 1 Non fiction	Instructions How to make a gingerbread man (Maths link)	1 week	 Orally retell a set of instructions. Write their own set of instructions using time conjunctions, a range of verbs and adverbs, commands and the features of instructions. Use commas in a list
Autumn 1 Non fiction	Fiction – Narrative -Story writing and Non Fiction Leaflets The Way home for wolf Adapted from bridging unit	2 weeks	 Orally reherse ideas Secure the use of capital letters, finger spaces and full stops Use past tense for narrative Use compound words- so, and, or, but
Autumn 1 Poetry	Poetry on a theme: Autumn leaves	2 weeks	 Use nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs. Innovate own lines/verses of the poem based on models. Perform poetry
Autumn 2 Poetry	Poetry Poetry on a theme Fireworks	1 week	 Use nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs. Innovate own lines/verses of the poem Explore use of past and present tense in poetry. Perform poetry

Autumn 2 Non-fiction Autumn 2 Fiction	Recount (letters) Great Fire of London Toby and the great fire of London. Various texts about the Great Fire of London Stories by the same author Julia Donaldson — Gruffalo, snail and the whale, Gruffalo's child and others	2 weeks 2 weeks	 Write a recount in a letter format Make notes from non-fiction texts, e.g. highlighting and noting key words. Use past tense verbs accurately. Edit and improve Comparison of characters, settings, plot, rhythm of text. Write own story based on a model & innovate a story section – e.g. ending Compare similarities and differences of stories by same author. Possible theatre visit- recount extended write
Autumn 2 SPAG	SPAG/ Christmas production	1 week	 Performance- read aloud with clear intonation Learn to spell more words with contracted forms Use suffix ly to turn adjectives into adverbs e.g. slowly, gently, carefully. Add suffixes ful or less to create adjectives e.g. playful, careful, careless, hopeless.
Autumn 2 Poetry	Poetry on a theme: Coming Home and other winter poems.	1 week	 Explore expanded noun phrases and using when, if, that, because to create subordinate clauses. Innovation lines/verses of the poem Perform poetry
Spring 1 Fiction	Stories on a theme The lighthouse keeper's lunch stories Pie Corbett	3 weeks	 Make predictions and orally retell stories Make story plans (use Pie Corbett's boxing up method), innovating on character and setting. Write their own story plans/maps, innovating endings and characters. Act out and retell their version of the story.
Spring 1 Poetry	Classic poetry Kit Wrights – Magic Box	2 weeks	 Use expanded noun phrases to describe and specify, e.g. adjectives to describe nouns To select, generate and effectively use nouns and verbs. Write their own poems based on a known structure Est and er suffix
Spring 2 Non Fiction	Non-fiction texts about Victorians	3 weeks	 Make simple notes from non-fiction texts, e.g. highlighting and noting key words. Develop success criteria and plan for their reports, identifying where information should be placed within a non-chronological structure. Organise writing into sections/paragraphs writing sentences in different forms – statements, exclamations, questions. Edit, improve and evaluate writing with adults and peers.
Spring 2 Fiction	Narrative: Traditional Tales with a twist The real story of the 3 little pigs	3 weeks	 Orally retell story maps – Pie Corbett talk for writing. Compare 'twisted' versions to originals of traditional tales Write character and setting descriptions

	Prince Cinders Jack and the baked beanstalk Pie Corbett		Box up and innovate a story map then write an innovated version of a traditional tale, which includes text type features of a traditional tale.
Summer 1	Pre Sats Writing Owl Babies Pie Corbett	2-3 weeks	 Make predictions Retell - both orally and written Setting and character descriptions. Make story plans/maps (use Pie Corbett's boxing up method), innovating alternative middles, endings, characters Act out, retell and write their version of the story.
Summer 1	SATS Period	2- 3 weeks	 Non chronological report on Nocturnal Animals Character description - The Twits Safety instructions
Summer 2 Poetry	Poems with structure Iguana by Brian Moses	1 week	 Perform poetry – adding action & sounds to improve effect for the audience To explore the effect and use of rhyme To understand impact of the poem on the listener as a piece for performance.
Summer 2 Fiction	Narrative - Story writing Akimbo Stories	3 weeks	 Write a story in the past tense from a character's point of view. Innovate story - write their own story plans/maps, innovating endings and characters. Write alternative middles – problem and resolution. Act out, retell and write their version of the story.
Summer 2 Non Fiction	Explanation texts Leaflets, websites linked to caring for elephants Hope for the Elephants - DK readers	1 week	 Make notes, and highlight key information to inform. Write an explanation, using the features to inform others how to care for elephants – write for an audience and purpose. Write a glossary and use dictionaries to inform and edit work
Summer 2 Non fiction	Persuasive advert save elephants	2 weeks	 Make notes, and highlight key information and techniques used to persuade. Use a conscience alley to explore reasons and arguments. Write an advert to persuade others using persuasive techniques and language