
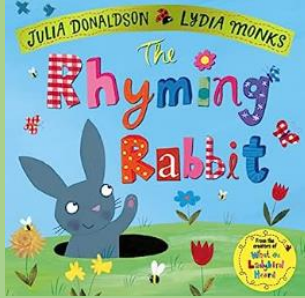





The Gates Primary School

English Curriculum Overview 2023-2024

Year	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term			
EYFS	<p>Focus Text The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas</p> 	<p>Focus Text The Rhyming Rabbit by Julia Donaldson and Lydia Monks</p> 	<p>Focus Text Traditional tales: The Billy Goats Gruff</p> 			
	<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Whole School-The Day the Crayons Quit Drew Daywalt</p> <p>Elmer and the Wind by David McKee Ed Shed</p> <p>Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae Ed Shed</p> <p>Mixed by Arree Chung</p> <p>Only one You by Linda Kranz</p> <p>Super Duper You! Sophy Henn</p> <p>Writing</p> <p>Explorative mark making opportunities</p> <p>Mark making for meaning</p> <p>Correct letter formation</p>	<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>The Christmas Pine Julia Donaldson</p> <p>Meg and Mog by Helen Nicoll</p> <p>Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson</p> <p>Fletcher and the Falling Leaves by Julia Rawlinson and Tiphonie Beeke</p> <p>The Very Helpful Hedgehog by Rosie Wellesley</p> <p>Pattan's Pumpkin Chitra Soundar and Farane Lessac</p> <p>Non-Fiction books: Winter, Christmas and Hannukah themed</p>	<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Journey by Aaron Becker</p> <p>William Bee's Wonderful World of Thing That Go! By William Bee</p> <p>Cars and Trucks and Things That Go by Richard Scarry</p> <p>Non- fiction transport books</p> <p>Super Submarine book collection.</p> <p>Emma Jane's Aeroplane Katie Haworth and Daniel Rielely</p> <p>The Hundred Decker Bus by Mike Smith</p> <p>Writing</p> <p>Labelling</p>	<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Paddington's Easter Egg Hunt by Michael Bond and Karen Jankel</p> <p>Santa Claus Vs the Easter Bunny by Fred Blunt</p> <p>The Very First Easter by Kelly Pulley</p> <p>Farmer Clegg's Night Out by Peter Bently</p> <p>Mr Birdsnest and the House Next Door by Julia Donaldson</p> <p>Giraffe Can't Dance by Giles Andreae</p> <p>The Tiger Who Came Who Came for Tea by Judith Kerr</p>	<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Veg Patch Party by Clare Foges and Al Murphy</p> <p>Fruit and Vegetables by Tracy Cottingham</p> <p>Pip and Posy: The Friendly Snail by Axel Scheffler</p> <p>A Squash and a Squeeze by Julia Donaldson and Axel Sheffler</p> <p>Superworm</p> <p>The Enormous Turnip Julia Donaldson and Axel Sheffler</p> <p>One Little Frog (Life Cycles) by Lesley Sims and Brendan Kearney</p>	<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Traditional tales: Little Red Riding Hood</p> <p>Traditional tales: The Gingerbread Man</p> <p>Alternatives</p> <p>Goldilocks in Space by Peter Bently and Chris Jevons</p> <p>The Gingerbread Man 2: What Happened Later? By Stephen Dixon</p> <p>Non-fiction Summer books</p> <p>Writing</p> <p>Traditional Tales</p> <p>Drama</p> <p>Billy Goats' Gruff, Three Little</p>

	Writing names	Rama and Sita by Malachy Doyle Hanukkah Bear by Eric Kimmel <u>Writing</u> Letters Lists Invitation	Instructions Sentences	Non-fiction Spring books <u>Writing</u> Poetry Non-fiction fact writing Instructions Mothering Sunday poems and descriptions	Non-fiction books about Planting SLS loan <u>Writing</u> Non-fiction finding out using different ways. Labelling Alphabetical order Recount Instructions	Pigs, Gingerbread Man, The Little Red Hen etc. Sentences Retelling and ordering stories
Poetry/Nursery Rhymes	Incy Wincy Spider	Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow	The Wheels on the Bus	Humpty Dumpty Sat on the Wall	Old MacDonald had a Farm	One, Two Buckle My Shoe
Year 1	<u>Focus Text</u> ‘What Makes Me a Me?’ by Ben Faulks and David Tazzyman 		<u>Focus Text</u> ‘Handa’s Surprise’ by Eileen Browne <u>Geography links : Africa</u> 		<u>Focus Text</u> ‘The Way Back Home’ by Oliver Jeffers <u>History links: Moon landing</u> 	

Other Reading texts	<p>Whole School-The Day the Crayons Quit Drew Daywalt</p> <p>'Wanted: The Perfect Pet' by Fiona Robertson</p> <p>Riddles (linked to Science animals)</p>	<p>Dear Mrs Christmas Unit</p> <p>Visual Literacy- From Our Family to yours</p>	<p>'The Disgusting Sandwich' by Gareth Edwards</p>	<p>'The Deep Dark Wood' by Algy Craig Hall</p>	<p>'Man on the Moon: A Day in the Life of Bob' by Simon Bartman</p>	<p><u>Look Inside Space</u></p>					
Poetry	<p>'Remember, Remember the 5th of November'</p>		<p>'Tippy Tappy' Poem by Michael Rosen</p>		<p>'Now We Are Six' Poem by AA Milne</p>						
Writing	<p>(NF) Letters</p> <p>(F) Non-Chronological report (pets)</p> <p>(P) Poetry - acrostic</p>	<p>(NF) Recount</p> <p>(F) Narrative</p> <p>(NF) Letters</p>	<p>(NF) Instructions</p> <p>(NF) Recount</p>	<p>(F) Narrative</p> <p>(NF) Letter writing</p> <p>(NF) Poetry- Riddles</p>	<p>(NF) Letter</p> <p>(NF) Instructions</p> <p>(N) Narrative</p>	<p>(NF) Recount of trip</p> <p>(P) Poetry- free verse (space)</p> <p>(NF) Fact file (space)</p>					
Year 2	<p>Focus Text</p> <p>'The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson</p> 		<p>Focus Text</p> <p>'Meerkat Mail' by Emily Cravat</p> <p>Geography: Africa</p> 		<p>Focus Text</p> <p>'Neil Armstrong, Little People, Big Dreams' by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara</p>  <p>History: Moon Landing</p>						
<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Whole School-The Day the Crayons Quit Drew Daywalt (Lit Shed)</p>		<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Winter poetry</p> <p>The Lonely Christmas Tree Chris Naylor Ballesteros</p>		<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>Zahra- Literacy Shed visual literacy</p>		<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>'The Dragon Machine' by Helen Ward</p>		<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne</p>		<p>Other Reading texts</p> <p>'Inside the Villains' by Clotilde Perrin</p>	

	<p>'The Tin Forest' by Helen Ward</p> <p><u>Writing</u> (F) Narrative (F) Letters (NF) Recount</p>	<p>Letter to Santa Literacy Shed+</p> <p><u>Writing</u> (NF) Poetry- Free Verse (F) Christmas Narrative (NF) Letters</p>	<p>'Cottonwool Colin' by Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross</p> <p>'The Rhythm of Life' poem by</p> <p><u>Writing</u> (NF) Instruction writing (N) Narrative (NF) Fact file</p>	<p>'The Day the Crayons Came Home' Oliver Jeffers</p> <p><u>Writing</u> (F) Narrative (NF) Letter – Repeating Patters (P) Poetry</p>	<p>Look Inside: Space by Rob Lloyd Jones and Benedetta Giaufret and Enrica Rusina</p> <p><u>Writing</u> (F) Narrative (NF) Non-chronological report (NF) Instruction writing</p>	<p>The Moon by Robert Louis Stephenson</p> <p><u>Writing</u> (NF) Recount (F) Narrative (P) Poetry- Diamante and Shape</p>
	<p>'Remember, Remember the 5th of November'</p>		<p>'Tippy Tappy' Poem by Michael Rosen</p>		<p>'Now We Are Six' Poem by AA Milne</p>	

Year 3	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus Text	<p>'The Journey' by Aaron Becker</p> 	<p>Historian Hackers: A Victorian Venture</p> 	<p>Mary Anning: The Girl Who Cracked Open the World by Debora Pearson</p> 	<p>Libby and the Parisian Puzzle by Jo Clarke & Becca Moor</p> 	<p>'Leo and The Gorgon's Curse' by Joe Todd-Stanton</p> 	<p>'Beasts of Olympus: Beast Keeper' by Lucy Coats</p> 
Other reading texts	<p>The Day The Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt</p> <p>Once Upon an Ordinary School Day by Colin McNaughton and Satoshi Kitamura (Picturebook)</p>	<p>The Street Beneath My Feet by Charlotte Guillian & Yuval Zommer (non-fiction - Rocks)</p> <p>Son of the Circus – A Victorian Story by E.L.Norry (Chapter Book).</p> <p>If I Were Prime Minister by Trygve Skaug (Picture Book – UK Parliament Week)</p>	<p>Troll Stinks by Jeanne Willis (Picture Book – Safer Internet Day).</p> <p>Stone Girl Bone Girl: The Story of Mary Anning of Lyme Regis by Laurence Anholt (International Day of Women in Science)</p> <p>Ish by Peter H. Reynolds (Picture Book – Mental Health Week).</p>	<p>Find Your Happy by Emily Coxhead (Picture Book- International Day of Happiness)</p> <p>Lights on Cotton Rock by David Litchfield (Picture Book - Science)</p> <p>The Girl Who Thought in Pictures: The Story of Dr. Temple Grandin by Julia Finley Mosca (Autism)</p>	<p>So You Think You've Got it Bad? A Kid's Life in Ancient Greece by Chae Strathie & Marisa Morea (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>Ocean Meets Sky by The Fan Brothers (Picture Book – Link to Big Question)</p> <p>Victory Odes (Poetry)</p>	<p>Can I Build Another Me? By Shinsuke Yoshitake (Picturebook)</p> <p>Theseus and the Minotaur by Sonia Elisabetta Corvaglia</p> <p>Greek Heroes by Marcia Williams (Graphic Novel)</p>
Poetry	The Door by Miroslav Holub		Fossils by Eileen R. Meyer		Nature Trail by Benjamin Zephaniah	
Writing	<p>(NF) Persuasion: Letter to the Crayons</p> <p>(N) Setting Description: Castle in 'The Journey'</p> <p>(N) Narrative: Choose a colour and create a journey with it.</p>	<p>(NF) Recount: School Trip (Lowry)</p> <p>(NF) Non Chronological Report: Victorian Childhood.</p> <p>(NF) Diary Entry: A Day in the Life of a Workhouse Child</p>	<p>(NF) Diary Entry: Imagined diary entry from Mary Anning</p> <p>(NF) Biography: Famous Female Scientist</p> <p>(N) Narrative: Own story about a character making a discovery.</p>	<p>(NF) Persuasion: France Travel brochure</p> <p>(NF) Persuasion - Advert: The Little Shoemaker (Literacy Shed Plus)</p> <p>(NF) Newspaper Report: Reporting on the daring jewel robbery.</p>	<p>(N) Character description: mythical creature</p> <p>(NF) Procedure: Recipe How to make a Greek salad</p> <p>(P) Poetry: Victory Odes</p>	<p>(N) Narrative: Create their own myth, using their mythical creature.</p> <p>(NF) Persuasion: Letters for Pupil Leadership groups.</p> <p>(NF) Non Chronological Report: Ancient Greece</p>

Year 4	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus Text	<p>'Normal' by Greg James and Chris Smith</p> 	<p>'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty</p> 	<p>'The Invention of Hugo Cabret' by Brian Selznick</p> 	<p>'Who Let the Gods Out?' by Maz Evans</p> 		
Other reading texts	<p>The Day The Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt</p> <p>Once Upon an Ordinary School Day by Colin McNaughton and Satoshi Kitamura (Picturebook)</p>	<p>If I Were Prime Minister by Trygve Skaug (Picture Book – UK Parliament)</p> <p>The Invisible by Tom Percival (Picture Book).</p> <p>The Street Beneath by Feet by Charlotte Guillan and Yuval Zommer (Non-Fiction).</p>	<p>Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly (Non-Fiction – Big Question).</p> <p>Lights on Cotton Rock by David Litchfield (Picture Book)</p> <p>Ruby's Worry by Tom Percival (Picture Book – Mental Health)</p>	<p>My Shadow is Pink by Scott Stuart (Picture Book – Tolerance).</p> <p>The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad (Picture Book - Tolerance)</p> <p>Picture Perfect by Serena Patel (Chapter Book – Different Families)</p>	<p>Greek Heroes by Marcia Williams (Graphic Novel)</p> <p>Victory Odes (Poetry)</p> <p>Rosie Revere Engineer by Andrea Beaty (Stereotypes).</p>	<p>'Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief' by Rick Riordan (Chapter Book)</p> <p>The Brilliant Deep: Rebuilding the World's Coral Reefs by Kate Messner & Matthew Forsythe (Picturebook – World Ocean's Day).</p>
Poetry	The Dragon Who Ate Our School – Nick Toczek		Today, I Feel by Gervase Phinn		The Sound Collector by Roger McGough	
Writing	<p>(NF) Persuasion: Letter to the Crayons</p> <p>(P) Poetry: Poetry linked to Harvest</p> <p>(NF) Diary Entry: Write about a day in school from the perspective of Murph Cooper.</p>	<p>(NF) Non Chronological Report: Victorian Childhood.</p> <p>(N) Narrative: Setting Description (Circus Tent).</p> <p>(NF) Biography: Character – Jim Jarvis</p>	<p>(NF) Biography: Hidden Figures Links</p> <p>(NF) Sports Manager Commentary: Read, Write, and Perform.</p> <p>(NF) Newspaper Report: Reporting on 100 years since the last Olympic Games in Paris.</p>	<p>(N) Narrative: Missing flashback chapter exploring Hugo's experience living with Uncle Clause.</p> <p>(NF) Persuasion: France Travel brochure</p> <p>(NF) Persuasion - Advert: The Little Shoemaker (Literacy Shed Plus)</p>	<p>(P) Poetry: Victory Odes</p> <p>(N) Setting Description: The cave setting where Thanatos is found.</p> <p>(N) Narrative: Re-write Chapter 7 with an alternate focus on Prisoner 42.</p>	<p>(NF) Persuasion: Letters for Pupil Leadership groups.</p> <p>(NF) Historical Explanation – Read, Write, Perform</p> <p>(NF) Procedure: How to play Petteia – an Ancient Greek strategy Game.</p>

Year 5	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus Text	<p>'War Horse' by Michael Morpurgo</p> 	<p>'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell Boyce</p> 	<p>'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell</p> 		<p>'The London Eye Mystery' by Siobhan Dowd</p> 	
Other reading texts	<p>The Day The Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt</p> <p>Being Me by Liz Brownlee (Poetry Collection).</p>	<p>Space Maps by Laura Albanese (Non-Fiction).</p> <p>Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly (Non-Fiction).</p> <p>When the Stars Come Out by Nicola Edwards and Lucy Cartwright.</p>	<p>Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly (Non-Fiction – Big Question).</p> <p>Shackleton's Journey by William Grill (Short Story).</p>	<p>Explorers by Nellie Huang (Non-Fiction Book).</p> <p>The Great Food Bank Heist by Onjali Q. Rauf (Links to Big Question).</p>	<p>Viking Boy by Tony Bradman (Chapter Book).</p> <p>If I Were Prime Minister by Trygve Skaug (Picture Book)</p> <p>If – Rudyard Kipling (Poetry).</p>	<p>A Planet Full of Plastic by Neal Layton (Picture Book – Big Question).</p> <p>Flotsam by David Wiesner (Wordless picture book).</p>
Poetry	In Flander's Field by John McCrae		The Tyger – William Blake		Dreams by Langston Hughes	
Writing	<p>(NF) Persuasion: Letter to the Crayons</p> <p>(NF) Letters: Letters from the trenches</p> <p>(N) Narrative: Short story based on the perspective of a horse.</p>	<p>(NF) Recount: Transmission – Read, Write, Perform</p> <p>(NF) Biography: Scientists/Astronauts</p> <p>(N) Cosmic: Character interaction (dialogue)</p>	<p>(N) Setting description: South America/ Rainforest</p> <p>(N) Literary description: Explorer crash flashback</p> <p>(NF) Biography: Hidden Figures Links</p>	<p>(N) Narrative: Create their own fictional expedition based on the book 'Explorers'</p> <p>(NF) Non chronological report: Rainforest animal</p> <p>(NF) Documentary: Planet Earth (Read, Write, Perform)</p>	<p>(NF) Persuasion: Pupil Leadership</p> <p>(NF) Police Report: Involvement in Salim's disappearance.</p> <p>(P) Poetry: 'If' Poetry.</p>	<p>(NF) Recount: Recount of a school trip.</p> <p>(N) Narrative: Dialogue between characters.</p> <p>(NF) Discussion: Balanced argument – should plastics be banned?</p>

Year 6	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus Text	<p>'War Horse' by Michael Morpurgo</p> 	<p>'Phoenix' by S.F. Said</p> 	<p>'Holes' by Louis Sachar</p> 	<p>'The Nowhere Emporium' by Ross Mackenzie</p> 	<p>'Can You See Me?' by Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott</p> 	
Other reading texts	<p>The Day The Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt</p> <p>Armistice Runner by Tom Palmer (Short Novel)</p>	<p>Space Maps by Laura Albanese (Non-Fiction).</p> <p>A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens (Short novel).</p>	<p>Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly (Non-Fiction – Big Question).</p> <p>Shackleton's Journey by William Grill (Short Story).</p>	<p>The Arrival by Shaun Tan (Wordless picture book).</p> <p>Wisp: A Story of Hope by Zana Fraillon (Picture Books).</p> <p>We Refugees by Benjamin Zephaniah (Poetry)</p>	<p>The Giant's Necklace by Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>The Barnabus Project by The Fan Brothers (Picture Book)</p>	<p>Go Big by Matthew Burton</p> <p>The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse by Charlie Mackesy (Poetry)</p>
Poetry	We Shall Keep The Faith by Moina Michael		Still I Rise by Maya Angelou		New Beginnings by Tony Walsh	
Writing	<p>(NF) Persuasion: Letter to the Crayons</p> <p>(NF) Letters: Letters from the trenches</p> <p>(N) Narrative: The Piano (Literacy Shed Plus).</p>	<p>(NF) Recount: Lost in Space (Read, Write, Perform)</p> <p>(NF) Discussion: Balanced argument – should we recommend space travel?</p> <p>(N) Literary Description Portrayal of Scrooge</p>	<p>(NF) Diary Entry: The Residential</p> <p>(NF) Newspaper Report: Report the murder of the Sheriff</p> <p>(N) Dual Narrative: Francis (Literacy Shed Plus)</p>	<p>(N) Narrative: Create their own Nowhere Emporium Wonder.</p> <p>(NF) Letter: Letter about immigration/refugees.</p> <p>(NF) Documentary: Planet Earth (Read, Write, Perform)</p>	<p>(NF) Science Investigation: Can foods be used to make a circuit?</p> <p>(NF) Newspaper Report: Report the story of 'The Giant's Necklace'.</p> <p>(NF) Diary Entry: Diary entry from the protagonist.</p>	<p>(P) Poetry: Free verse – 'Moving On'</p> <p>(NF) Procedure: Instruction manual -How to be a successful year 6 student</p> <p>(N) Guide: Primary School Survival Guide (based on the book 'Go Big').</p>