



Widnes Academy

The Literacy Tree Planning sequence and Guided Reading Overview

2022/2023

Cycle C

The children in Reception and Year 1 will carry out guided reading sessions linked to the Phonics Phase that they are currently working at. This will also be reflected in the home reading books that the children from Reception-Year 1 take home.

Reception	2021-2022 Texts covered	Rationale	Learning outcome	Phonic focus Bug Club phonics
Autumn 1 Family and friends	Where the wild things are.	Transition text Developing home school links Reviewing Phase 1 sounds.		Transition Phase 1 focus
	I am Henry Finch.	Literacy tree PSED link Building confidences		Week 1- Unit 1 Week 2- Unit 2 Week3 – Unit 3

Autumn 2 Traditional tales	Halibet Jackson	Literacy tree Celebrating differences Being comfortable in your own skin. Strong C.P links		Week 4- revision of previous taught sounds Week 5- unit 4 Week 6- Unit 5
	Little Red	Literacy tree Alternative modern retelling of a story.		Revision of previously taught sounds
Spring 1	Weirdo	Literacy tree Bravery Being yourself		Phase 3 Week 1- Unit 6 Week 2- unit 7 Week 3 unit 8
	The magic paintbrush	Literacy tree Link to Chinese New Year.		Week 4 – unit 9 Week 5- unit 10 Week 6 – unit 11
Spring 2 Above and beyond	Look up	Literacy tree Challenging stereotypes		Unit 12 Revision of previous taught sounds
	The extraordinary gardener	Growing and planting		Unit 12 Revision of previous taught sounds
Summer 1 Growing and change	The Tiny Seed	Literacy tree		Phase 4

				<p>Week 1,2 and 3 - Practise recognition and recall of Phase Two and Three graphemes and reading and spelling CVC words– Teach and practise reading CVCC words– Teach and practise spelling CVCC words– Practise reading and spelling high-frequency words– Practise reading sentences– Practise writing sentences.</p>
	<p>Super Milly and the super school day.</p>	<p>A real life hero Superhero link</p>		<p>Phase Two and Three graphemes and reading and spelling CVC words– Teach and practise reading CVCC words– Teach and practise spelling CVCC words– Practise reading and spelling high-frequency words– Practise reading sentences– Practise writing sentences.</p>
Summer 2	Izzy Gizmo	<p>Literacy tree Strong female role model Inventor</p>		Revision
	Oi frog	Literacy tree		Revision

		Link to life cycles Accepting change Transition to Year 1 Strong phonics links (diagraphs)		
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Year 1	2021-2022 Texts covered	Rationale	Spelling seed focus	Phonics focus
Autumn 1	So much	Transition books Phonics revision Strong PSHE Multicultural		Unit 12 revision
	Cave Baby	Transition text Behaviour – classroom expectations link. History link		Unit 12 revision
Autumn 2	Yeti and the bird	Unlikely friendship PSHE link Contrasts		Unit 13 Unit 14 Unit 15
	Lost and found	Unlikely friendship PSHE link Contrasts / geog links		Unit 16 Unit 17 Unit 18
Spring 1	Naughty bus	History link		Unit 19 Unit 20 Unit 21

	Beegu	Preparation for phonics screening check Alien words		Unit 22 Unit 23 Unit 24
Spring 2	Dinosaurs and all that rubbish	Geog – local area Non fiction writing		Unit 25 Unit 26 Unit 27
	Stanley's stick	History/geog link Phonics revision		Revision of unit 13-27
Summer 1	Astro girl	Diversity		Revision of 13-27
	The odd egg	Adoption and fostering Writing in present text		Revision of 13-27
Summer 2	Leo and the octopus	Autism link Acceptance		Revision of unit 13- 27
	Julien is a mermaid	Diversity Celebration of differences		Revision of unit 13-27

Year 2	2021-2022 Texts covered	Rationale	Guided reading	Rationale	Spelling seed focus	Phonic focus
Autumn 1	Transition text – Lights on cotton rock	Transition building upon skills. Year 2 objective which also review Year 1 expectations.	Transition – Linked to Phonics.		No spelling seed	Phase 5 revision due to sitting Phonic screening check in December

	Great Fire of London by Emma Adams & James Weston Lewis. Theme: Urban metropolis	Cross curricular Good link to History/science/Geog	Street beneath my feet. By Charlotte Guillian	Archology link to Great Fire of London looking at Primary sources	Great Fire of London	Phase 5 revision due to sitting Phonic screening check in December
Autumn 2	A walk in London Salvatore Rubbing	Celebrating differences Multi cultural	The rabbit and the bear.	Friendship/ tolerance/respecting differences Link to habitats	A walk in London	Phase 5 revision due to sitting Phonic screening check in December
	Polar Express	Christmas Facing fears				Phase 5 revision due to sitting Phonic screening check in December
Spring 1	Ocean meets sky by Eric Fan and Fan Terry. Theme: Fantasy and Fiction	Opportunities for greater depth writers. Strong PSHE links Positive outlook on Grieve Celebrating Chinese culture	There's a Ran tang in my bedroom James Selick	Link – Greenpeace Looking after the Earth	Ocean meets sky	Unit 28
	The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear and Charlotte Voake <i>Theme: relationships & acceptance</i>	Possibility of an extra book Fanatical about frogs. Really good non fiction text. Poetry link	Lost species	Link – Greenpeace Looking after the Earth	The owl and the pussy cat.	Unit 29

		Strong link to PSHE around friendship				
Spring 2	The bear and the piano Fiction	Strong PSHE link – overcoming fear. Strong habitat link to topic work.	A book about bears	Non fiction Build in vocabulary	The bear and the piano	Unit 30
	The Journey Home by Frann Preston-Gannon Theme: Creation & conservation	Strong link to environmentalism Links to values of school.			The journey home	Revision
Summer 1	The Dragon Machine by Helen Ward. Theme: Fantasy & fiction machine	Solving problems Strong link to DT	Hotel Flamingo	Solving problems Looking after animals	The Dragon machine	Revision
	Minpins Roald Dahl	Classic author	Cakes and space	Adventure story Supplements main text – exploration Classic text verses modern text – similar theme	Minpins	Revision
Summer 2	Rosie Revere by Andrea Beaty Theme: Urban Metropolis	Transition to KS2 Strong links to science and DT Strong female role models.	Ada Twist Andrea Beaty	Supplements main planning sequence Strong female role models in science and engineering	Rosie Revere	Revision
	Starbird	Transition to KS2				

		Strong PSHE links Year 2 and Year 3 objectives				Revision
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Year 3/4	Texts covered	Guided Reading	Rationale	Spelling seed focus
Autumn 1	How to live forever	I am the seed that grew the tree (1 Or 2 copies)	Poetry Transituion text – linked to change	How to live forever
	The tear thief		Fantasy fiction	The Tear Thief
Autumn 2	<i>The Mystery of Harris Burdock (rewritten)</i>	The Fire makers daughter (Got class set)	Exploration	The Mystery of Harris Burdock
	Sally Jones Experience	Africa Amazing Africa	Note – look for more none fiction links.	The Sally Jones Experience
Spring 1	Sparky	Old Possum’s Book of Practical cat	Animal link and PSHE link	Sparky
	Jim. A cautionary tale	Piped Piper of Hamlin	Strong Moral	Jim, A cautionary tale
Spring 2	Cinnamon	Tamarind and the star (Got class set)	Strong female characters Representations	Cinnamon

	Heart and the bottle			The Firework maker's daughter
Summer 1 Extreme earth/ Italy	Matchbox diaries	Ada Twist	Geog/history Link to Italy Strong non fiction link	Matchbox diaries
	Tar beach		Strong female characters Representations	Tar beach
Summer 2	Weslandia	How does a light house work. Unfortunately, the milk (Got class set)	DT link Non Fiction – explanation	Weslandia
	Winters child		Larger books – building stamina for reading.	Winters child

Year 4/5	Texts covered	Guided Reading	Rationale	Spelling seed focus
Autumn 1	Varmints	Real life mysteries	Respecting and challenging options Internet safety	. Varmints
	Until I met Dudley	Black and British (links to Black History month in October)		Until I met Dudley
Autumn 2	<i>The selfish giant</i>	Viking voyages	Black History	The selfish giant
	Odd and the frost giants		Exploring Viking myths	

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Spring 1	Iron man	The wild Robot Story of flight	Imagination and creativity	Iron man
	Farther	When the stars come out	DT link Non fiction – history of flight	Farther
Spring 2	The Lion witch and the wardrobe		Fiction verses non fiction Space link Sci fic	The Lion the witch and the wardrobe
	Curiosity	Science /Technology	The lost happy endings	
Summer 1 Rivers and the water cycle	Robot girl	Cog heart (Got a class set) probably best for a whole half term.	Sci fic Fantasy	Robot girl
	The Island		Acceptance link (refugee link)	The Island
Summer 2	Firebird	Me, my dad and the rainbow	Strong diversity link (link to Pride month and diversity week)	Firebird
	The lost happy endings			
Year 5/6	Text covered	Guided Reading	Rationale	Spelling Seed Focus
Autumn 1			History	

	Odyssey	Mythologica (don't need lots of copies) Caged bird (Two poems – don't need to order)	Greek	Odyssey
	Freedom bird		Black History Diversity	Freedom bird
Autumn 2	Hugo Carberet	Hugo Caberet	Deeper understanding of a text. Biography writing	Hugo Caberet
	Hidden forest			Hidden forest
Spring 1	Children of the Benin Kingdom	Overheard in a Tower block (Need to buy)		Children of the Benin kingdom
	High rise mystery	The good thief's (good link to SATs comprehension)	Poetry Urban setting	High rise mystery
Spring 2 (maritime trip)	The wind and wall	The listeners (Poetry – don't need to buy)	Preparation for SATs	The wind and wall
	Windrush child			Windrush child
Summer 1	The three little pigs project (no book – video)	Politics for beginners Non fiction	Writing towards moderation (newspaper article) Newspaper writing	The three pigs project
	Unforgotten coat		Local setting Acceptance Outcome – report on Mongolia	Unforgotten coat
Summer 2				

	The boy in the tower	Poetry for young children – William Shakespeare		The boy in the tower
	Nightmail (rap) Look on website for work samples	Macbeth = no planning sequence – reading for pleasure	Performing	