

Cherry Class English Long Term Plan – Cycle A

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	FICTION: Stories on a Theme - FEELINGS		AUTUMN:
	The Suitcase by Chris Naylor-Ballesteros; Rabbityness by Jo Empson	Discuss, theme, story, fiction, non	Children will be reminded of
	The Visitor by Antje Damm	fiction, predict, compare,	their learning in SPAG and
	Unit 1: Spoken Language Composition	sentence, question, statement,	comprehension sessions, and
	Listen to the story, discuss and respond to characters. Discuss events	exclamation. Conjunctions, co-	encouraged to use this in all
	and themes in a story and write a response. Make predictions about how	ordinating conjunction,	work that involves writing
	the story might continue and finish. Write cards and letters. Compare	subordinating conjunction,	across the curriculum.
	the stories and write about their favourite.	character, story plan.	
	Unit 2: SPAG		Topic: Samuel Pepys diary,
	Read and enjoy the story. Identify sentences, write questions,		writing letters, people's feelings
	statements and exclamations.		during the Great Fire of London.
	Unit 3: SPAG		
Autumn 1	Re-read <i>The Visitor</i> discussing the story and its characters. Learn about		Science: making predictions,
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	subordinating conjunctions. Write a story continuation using		
	conjunctions in sentences.		PSHE: feelings
	Unit 4: COMPOSITION		
	Revisit the stories read earlier in this block. Write a letter to a character		
	in a story. Building on what they have read, children create a character		
	for a new story. They go on to write their own story using those read as		
	a model.		
	POETRY: POEMS ON A THEME – Rainbows and colours.		
	Rain Before Rainbows by Smriti Halls and David Litchfield	Compose, rhyming couplets,	
	'What is Pink?' and 'Flint' by Christina Rossetti	rhyming poems, imagination,	
	'Tropical Sunset' by Kaiser Haq	suffix, noun phrases, describe,	
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Autumn 2	'What is the Sun?' by Wes Magee and 'The Moon' by Robert Louis Stevenson 'On the Run from Colours' by John Agard; 'When the Colours Spoke' by Grace Nichols UNIT 1: Word Reading Composition Listen to Rain Before Rainbows and compose encouraging sayings. Create rhyming couplets (Y1) and rhyming poems (Y2). Respond imaginatively to a poem. Read 'What is Pink' and 'Flint' and write poems using these as a model. UNIT 2: SPAG Look at the suffixes -ness and -less. Create new words and discuss their meaning. Write a poem about sunset, using what they have learnt to spell -less and -ness words correctly. UNIT 3: SPAG Read and enjoy 'What is the Sun?' and 'The Moon'. Learn about noun phrases (Y2) and use these to describe the Sun. Paint pictures of the Sun (Y1) and describe it. Focus on prepositions and use to give additional information. Write a comparison poem about the Moon. UNIT 4: composition Listen to 'On the Run from Colours' and respond. Write a new version of this poem, using noun phrases (Y2). Listen to 'When the Colours Spoke'. Compare and discuss the two poems. Write a response in character. Look at a selection of Van Gogh paintings and write about one.	description, preposition, comparison,	Science: observing the weather and the seasons Computing: looking at artists and recreating their work on the screen. Presenting our own poems using technology. Topic: Rhyming poems and songs about the Great Fire of London.



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	NON-FICTION: RECOUNTS – ANIMAL DIARIES		
	Diary of a Wombat by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley		
	Waiting for Goliath by Antje Damm;	Non-fiction, recount,	
		Comprehension, composition,	
	UNIT 1: COMPOSITION COMPREHENSION	diary, conversation, features,	Christmas: letters, postcards,
	Listen to Diary of a Wombat, roleplay character conversations and	story map, postcards, letters,	lists, diaries, stories.
	record. Look at the features of a diary, write a diary entry. Listen to The	verb, past tense, sentence,	
	Cat's Journey, create a story map. Write postcards and letters in	capital letter, third person, first	
	character.	person, perspective, predict,	
	UNIT 2: SPAG	draft, notes.	
	Identify verbs and write in the past tense. Write story sentences about		
	an animal encounter using the past tense.		
	UNIT 3: SPAG		
	Spell the days of the week and use capital letters correctly. Read third		
	person sentences and change them to first person sentences (Y2). Write		
	sentences in the first person, capitalising I correctly (Y1). Write		
	sentences from a character's perspective.		
	UNIT 4: COMPOSITION SPOKEN LANGUAGE		
	Listen to Waiting for Goliath and make predictions about the end of the		
	story. Read, discuss and write a diary entry. Create a story map showing		
	Goliath's journey to meet Bear. Use their map to draft and write		
	Goliath's diary.		



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Spring 1	FICTION: CLASSIC FICTION – BEATRIX POTTER The Tale of Two Bad Mice; The Tale of Tom Kitten; The Tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher; The Tsle of Peter Rabbit; The Tale of Jemima Puddle- Duck all by Beatrix Potter UNIT 1: Comprehension & Composition Children read about the life and work of Beatrix Potter and read several of her animal Tales, including The Tale of Two Bad Mice. They compare stories and then write imaginatively in response to some of these, including composing speech and writing descriptions. UNIT 2: SPaG Children read Beatrix Potter's very first story, The Tale of Peter Rabbit and use it to explore verbs and tenses in story writing, concentrating on the past tense, including (for Y2) the progressive form. UNIT 3: SPaG Children read The Tale of Jemima Puddle-Duck. They revisit their knowledge of sentence punctuation and then practise writing sentences with exclamation marks and question marks as well as full stops. UNIT 4: Composition Children re-read The Tale of Two Bad Mice and confirm their understanding of the structure of the story by sequencing and writing about events from the tale. They then plan and write a new version of the story, publishing a best copy and reading this aloud to the rest of the class.	Fiction, Author, illustrator, compare, compose, imaginatively, speech, descriptions, verbs, tenses, past tense, progressive form, punctuation, sentence, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark, story structure, sequence, new version, publish.	Children will be reminded of their learning in SPAG and comprehension sessions, and encouraged to use this in all work that involves writing across the curriculum. Topic: acting out fairy tales using speech and dialogue. Creating our own story lines in our role play. Maths: sequencing



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Spring 2	POETRY: HOUSES AND HOMES. A House that Once Was by Julie Fogliano and Lane Smith UNIT 1: COMPREHENSION Children read and respond to both the poem A House That Once Was by Julie Fogliano and Lane Smith and a range of other poems about houses and homes. They imagine and write about a character that they think lived in the house in the poem. UNIT 2: SPAG Children read several poems about houses and homes written by Shel Silverstein. They develop skills in descriptive writing, learning to use adjectives and adverbs in punctuated sentences about messy houses. UNIT 3: SPAG Children read rhyming poems about monsters in houses and homes. They use suffixes to create rhymes for their own poems about spooky house monsters. UNIT 4: COMPOSITION Children revisit A House That Once Was before discussing and reading about different sorts of houses and homes. They design their own 'ideal house' and write descriptive sentences about it.	Poem, poetry, imagine, adjectives, adverbs, description, describe, descriptive writing, rhymes, rhyming poems, suffix	PSHE: houses and homes, keeping things tidy and clean, feeling scared / relaxed and happy. Topic: looking at different types of houses and homes including castles.
	NON-FICTION: INSTRUCTIONS FOR A CLEANER WORLD Tidy by Emily Gravett Too Much Stuff by Emily Gravett UNIT 1: COMPREHENSION Children read both the Hamilton Group Reader, Being Bossy and Emily Gravett's book Tidy. They make predictions and answer questions about what they have read and then write instructions for how to make their classroom a tidy and happy place.	Non-fiction, Instructions, predict, prediction, commands, statements, questions, punctuation, capital letters, full stop, question marks, past tense, present tense, suffix, verb,	PSHE: caring for the environment, reduce, reuse, recycle Science: following instructions



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	UNIT 2: SPAG Children re-read Tidy by Emily Gravett before learning to identify and write commands, questions and statements. They rehearse using initial capital letters, full stops and question marks to punctuate sentences. UNIT 3: SPAG Children read Too Much Stuff by Emily Gravett and use the text to distinguish between and write sentences in the simple past and continuous present tenses. They learn spelling rules associated with adding the suffixes —ed and —ing to different verbs. UNIT 4: COMPOSITION Children revisit both Tidy and Too Much Stuff. They respond to themes in the two books by writing instruction and explanation sentences about both littering and reducing, re-using, recycling and repairing things. They finish the Unit and the Block by writing instructions from a wild bird to a person.	theme, explanation, reduce, reuse, recycle.	Curriculani
Summer 1	FICTION: CONTEMPORARY FICTION - PICTURE BOOKS FROM THE USA Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak; Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey; Watercress by Andrea Wang and illustrated by Jason Chin; It's a Book by Lane Smith UNIT 1: COMPREHENSION Children read and enjoy four classic and contemporary American picture books, Where the Wild Things Are, Make Way for Ducklings, Watercress and It's a Book. They compare all four, answer comprehension questions about Where the Wild Things Are and sequence events from Make Way	Classic fiction, contemporary fiction, comprehension, sequence event, review, co-ordinating conjunctions, sub-ordinating conjunctions, sentences, past tense, present tense, verbs, spelling patterns, fantasy	Children will be reminded of their learning in SPAG and comprehension sessions, and encouraged to use this in all work that involves writing across the curriculum.



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	for Ducklings. They finish the Unit by writing a review of their favourite title. UNIT 2: SPAG Children re-read It's a Book. They identify co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions in sentences linked to the story, using these conjunctions to then write It's a Book-related sentences of their own. UNIT 3: SPAG Children re-read Watercress. They learn to distinguish the simple past and present tenses, and rehearse spellings of verbs in the past tense, both those with —ed endings and others. They then look at the progressive form of the past tense and note spelling patterns in verbs taking the form. Children conclude the Unit by using the present tense to write an account of a journey or outing they have taken. UNIT 4: COMPOSITION Children re-read Where the Wild Things Are. They create their own fantastic destinations and wild creatures in imitation of those in the book and use these to plan and write their own story based on Maurice Sendak's tale. They tell their stories in the past tense, making use of conjunctions to link ideas and add information to sentences. POETRY: CARIBBEAN POETRY		Science: animals and their habitats
Summer 2	A Caribbean Dozen edited by John Agard and Grace Nichols UNIT 1: COMPREHENSION Children read and respond to a range of poems from the collection, A Caribbean Dozen. They answer questions about, compare and review poems, selecting their favourites and saying what they like about them. UNIT 2: SPAG Children read two poems from A Caribbean Dozen by Frank Collymore. They draw on words in the poems to develop their skills both in adding	Poems, poetry, Caribbean, compare, review. Questions, suffix, compound word, adjectives, adverbs, descriptive writing, autobiographies, rhyme.	



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	suffixes to words (-ing, -er, -ed) and in creating compound words (birdcage, nightmare). UNIT 3: SPAG		Topic: the seaside – comparing home and abroad
	Children read further poems from A Caribbean Dozen. They identify adjectives and qualifying adverbs in the poems. They write texts inspired		Science: animals and pets
	by the poems they have read using adjectives and adverbs to enhance their descriptive writing. UNIT 4: COMPOSITION Children read Rabbit Poem by Pamela Mordecai and then write rhyming poems of their own about pets. They read the poets' autobiographies from A Caribbean Dozen and use these as models for their own autobiographical writing.		PSHE: feelings and emotions
	NON-FICTION: INFORMATION TEXTS - INTERVIEWS Interview with a Tiger and Other Clawed Beasts Too by Andy Seed and Nick East Interview with a Shark and other Ocean Giants Too by Andy Seed and Nick East UNIT 1: COMPREHENSION Children read pages from Interview with a Tiger by Andy Seed and Nick East, learning that interviews are composed of questions and answers, and that their texts provide factual information about a subject or person. Children interview one another and answer comprehension questions about their reading before creating their own questions to put to a jaguar. UNIT 2: SPAG	Non-fiction, information text, interview, factual information, facts, comprehension, questions, types of sentences, statement, command, punctuation, adjective, adverb, research, description, describe	Science: animals, habitats, homes. Topic: hot and cold climates, adaptation of animals to their environment and habitat. Computing: research
	Drawing on examples in Interview with a Tiger, children identity different types of sentences in texts (questions, statements, commands and		



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	exclamations) then write their own animal questions and other sentences with appropriate punctuation. UNIT 3: SPAG Children read and enjoy the Hamilton Group Reader, Boris and Sid Meet a Tiger. They use both the story and other examples of writing to practice identifying adjectives and qualifying adverbs in texts. Later, children draw on the animals they have met in Interview with a Tiger to write descriptions of creatures that could be hiding in the trees. UNIT 4: COMPOSITION Children read further examples of animal interviews from Interview with a Tiger and Interview with a Shark, also by Andy Seed and Nick East. They use their familiarity with question and answer interviews to research and write their own 'interviews with birds' for publication in a set of class Big Books.		