



Reception – English Overview

Units		
Non-Fiction	Narrative	Poetry
Persuasion (Letter) Instructions Information Explanation Recount Response (Letter)	Traditional Tales Fantasy/Fairy Tales Detective	Rhyming

In Reception, teaching writing combines a range of approaches, such as Talk4Writing, Mighty Writer, Drawing Club and Helicopter Stories. Each half term, the children are introduced to a focus story and offered multiple opportunities to respond to and interact with related high-quality texts through play-based writing opportunities. The mapped-out texts are subject to change in response to children’s particular interests and needs. Opportunities for writing are purposeful and inspired by provocations or hooks, which will often be linked to real-life experiences in order to promote children’s enthusiasm and motivation for writing and to further develop their confidence as young writers.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Focus story	The Colour Monster	Stick Man	The Little Red Hen	The Three Little Pigs	Jasper’s Beanstalk	What the Ladybird Heard
Related key texts	The Colour Monster Goes to School We all belong The Enormous Turnip Oliver’s Vegetables Non-fiction books on farming machines	Leaf Man The Gruffalo The Gruffalo’s Child We’re Going on a Bear Hunt Owl Babies Meg and Mog series Winnie the Witch Christmas Story Non-fiction books on seasons	The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza The Runaway Wok Rosie’s Walk Cookery books	The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig The Three Little Pigs and the Big Bad Book Good Little Wolf Mr Wolf’s Pancakes The Ugly Duckling Non-fiction texts on animal life cycles Non-fiction texts on homes around the	Jack and the Beanstalk Sam Plants a Sunflower The Tiny Seed Mad about Minibeasts The Snail and the Whale The Very Hungry Caterpillar Bugs and Slugs Superworm	What the Ladybird Heard Next What the Ladybird Heard at the Seaside Click Clack Moo: Cows That Type Non-fiction books on farm animals

				world + unusual houses.	Non-fiction texts on plant life cycles	
Examples of writing opportunities + <i>Inspiration/ provocation/ stimulus</i>	<p>Labelling</p> <p><i>What can you see? Pictures representing CVC objects.</i></p> <p><i>Draw and label emotions jars</i></p> <p><i>Write own name to label artwork</i></p>	<p>Listing ingredients for a magic potion</p> <p><i>A cauldron with real life objects.</i></p> <p>Labelling and caption writing</p> <p><i>An illustration from Stick Man</i></p> <p>Letters to Father Christmas</p>	<p>Speech bubbles</p> <p><i>Pictures of the characters from The Little Red Hen</i></p> <p>Instructions to make a pizza</p> <p><i>Pizza making class delivered by Laura's Kitchen.</i></p> <p>Description of a character (Wanted poster)</p> <p><i>An illustration from You Choose Your Fairy Tales showing various story villains</i></p> <p>Story map-traditional</p> <p>Drawing Club:</p> <p>Represent your own character and make it unique.</p> <p>Design a trap for the fox</p>	<p>Labelling - duck life cycle</p> <p><i>The Incredible Eggs project.</i></p> <p>Story map-traditional</p> <p><i>Three Little Pigs</i></p> <p>Story map – innovative (Three Little Ducklings)</p> <p>Letters to the ducklings</p> <p><i>Letter from the farm to Reception</i></p> <p>Mother's Day cards</p> <p>Drawing Club:</p> <p>Plan a perfect playdate for the Little Pigs and the Good Wolf.</p> <p>Design your own unique house.</p> <p>.</p>	<p>My Easter holiday – recap</p> <p><i>Photos and videos uploaded to Tapestry.</i></p> <p>Labelling - parts of a plant</p> <p><i>Examining a real plant.</i></p> <p>Labelling - life cycle of a plant</p> <p><i>Planting sunflower seeds. Video of a sunflower life cycle time lapse and the stories The Tiny Seed</i></p> <p>Labelling - design a bug hotel and label the materials used.</p> <p>Create a poster about snails/slugs.</p> <p>Party list</p> <p><i>The Coronation</i></p> <p>Drawing Club:</p> <p>What would be on top of your magic beanstalk?</p>	<p>School trip recount</p> <p><i>Photos</i></p> <p>Invitations to Sports Day</p> <p>Father's Day cards</p> <p>Writing postcards?</p> <p>Stories, letters and messages.</p> <p><i>Perform workshop.</i></p> <p>Drawing Club:</p> <p>???</p> <p>Mud kitchen recipes</p> <p>Fresh Air Friday</p>