

The Literary Curriculum Year 3 Curriculum Map

Theme/Term	Magic & wonder Autumn 1		Dreams & curiosity Autumn 2	
Planning Sequence/ Spelling Seed Text	Leon and the Place Between Angela McAllister	The First Drawing Mordicai Gerstein	The BFG Roald Dahl	
Star Words				
Outcomes	Own version fantasy narratives Persuasive posters, setting descriptions, thought bubbles/diaries, dialogue	Own historical narratives Character descriptions, diaries, recounts	Own version fantasy narratives Recount (diary entry), character descriptions, wanted posters, new chapters, instructions	
Theme/Term	Disaster, hope	& healing Spring 1	Overcoming adversity Spring 2	
Planning Sequence/ Spelling Seed Text	The Pied Piper of Hamelin Michael Morpurgo	Escape from Pompeii Christina Balit	Black Dog Levi Pinfold	Cinderella of the Nile Beverley Naidoo
Star Words	scurry, scamper, unique, individual, disappear, peculiar	disaster, extreme, catastrophe, possessions, frantic	beast, ferociousness, muttered, bravely, petrified	fable, treasure, surrounded, boasted, furious, disbelief
Outcomes	Own version myths/legends Writing in role, information reports, adverts, formal letters	Newspaper reports Setting descriptions, diaries, letters, thought bubbles	Own version 'suspense' narratives Postcards, dialogue, retellings, descriptions	Own version narratives Descriptive passages, how to guides, letters, discussions, non-chronological reports
Theme/Term	From mystery to discovery Summer 1		Confidence & caution Summer 2	
Planning Sequence/ Spelling Seed Text	How to Live Forever Colin Thompson	David Wiesner Plotsam David Wiesner	Jim, A Cautionary Tale Hilaire Belloc	The Day I Swapped my Dad for Two Goldfish Neil Gaiman The Day Swapped Two Goldfish
Star Words		azure, turquoise, cobalt, mesmerising, flotsam, jetsam		trade, deal, bargain, ordinary, retrieve, investigate
Outcomes	From mystery to discovery Prequel, lost posters, dialogue, setting and character descriptions, ledger entries, instructions, letters of warning	Sequels (mystery narratives) Setting descriptions, narrative retellings, non-chronological reports, letters (informal)	Narrative poems Warning posters, alternative endings, performance poetry, letter of apology	Own version narratives Thought bubbles, missing scenes, diaries