ST MARK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

English Curriculum Overview – Whole School

| | Autumn 1 | Autumn 2 | Spring 1 | Spring 2 | Summer 1 | Summer 2 |
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| Nursery C&L | Theme: All About Me Theme: Autumn Celebrations Story Time Rhyme Time News Circles | | Theme: Winter Wonderland Theme: Signs of Spring Story Time Rhyme Time News Circles | | Theme: Life Cycles Theme: Transport and Journeys Story Time Rhyme Time News Circles Transition | |
| Nursery Lit | Happy to Be Me By Emma Dodd Pete the Cat By Eric Litwin The Gingerbread Man | Wow, Said the Owl By Tim Hopgood Percy the Parkkeeper By Nick Butterworth Poetry | I can Fly By Fifi Quo Bear Snores On By Karma Wilson Goldilocks and the Three Bears | Jungle Jamboree By Jo Empson Monkey and Me By Emily Gravett Poetry | Jasper's Beanstalk By Mike Inkpen It's Mine By Emma Yarlett Jack and the Beanstalk | I'm a Bus Driver By David Semple Oh! Look a Boat By Andre. J Ross Poetry |
| Reception C&L | Theme: All About Me Theme: Autumn and Woodland Listening, Attention and Understanding Story Time Fascinating Facts (non-fiction) Singing (including hymns) Rhyme Time / Poetry Circles Assembly | | Theme: Winter Worlds Theme: Animals in Hot Countries Listening, Attention and Understanding Story Time Fascinating Facts (non-fiction) Singing (including hymns) Rhyme Time / Poetry Curiosity Cube Circles Talk partners Assembly It's Showtime! (show and tell) | | Theme: Life Cycles Theme: Transport and Journeys Listening, Attention and Understanding Story Time Fascinating Facts (non-fiction) Singing (including hymns) Rhyme Time / Poetry Curiosity Cube Circles Talk partners Assembly It's Showtime! (sharing talents) Preparing for Year 1 | |
| Reception Lit | The Friendship Bench By Wendy Meddour Amazing By Steve Antony | The Leaf Thief By Alice Hemming The Little Red Hen Ladybird First Tales | The Storm Whale in Winter By Benji Davies Hello Penguin | The Elephant's Umbrella By Laleh Jaffran Chimpanzees By Ben Hubbard | The Woolley Bear Caterpillar By Julia Donaldson Seed to Plant Kristin Baird Rattini | Somebody Swallowed Stanley By Sarah Roberts |

| | Poetry | The Enormous Turnip | By Kathryn Williams Poetry | The Three Little Pigs | Poetry | Look What I found at the Seaside Moira Butterfield Little Red Riding Hood |
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| Year 1 | Literacy Tree- Cave Baby by Julia Donaldson and Emily Gravett Narrative re-telling, labels and captions, informal letters Astro Girl by Ken Wilson-Max Fact files, writing in role, commands, 'how to' guides. Read Write IncPhonics | Literacy Tree-I Want My Hat Back- Jon Klassen Story sequels, questions, speech bubbles, letters, lists Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen Own version narratives, wanted posters, summaries, emails, character descriptions, recipes Leo and the Octopus-Isabelle Marinov Fact file. This is me! Posters, letters of advice, factual descriptions, logbooks, scripts. Read Write IncPhonics | Literacy Tree- Dadaji's Paintbrush by Rashmi Sirdeshpande Own version narratives, labels, captions, thought and speech bubbles, fact files The Magic Bed- John Burningham Own version fantasy stories, setting descriptions, additional scenes, description of magical piece of furniture, lists. Read Write IncPhonics | Literacy Tree- Yeti and the Bird- Nadia Shireen Own version narratives about unlikely friendships. Lists of rules, letters, postcards, character descriptions Read Write Inc Phonics | Literacy Tree- Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers Losing/finding narratives, character descriptions, advice, instructions, non-chronological reports. Beegu-Alexis Deacon Own version narratives, descriptions, commands, nonsense-word dictionary, poems, non-fiction reports. Read Write IncPhonics | Stanley's Stick-John Hegley and Neal Layton Own version narratives. 'Book of Sticks' entry, speech bubbles, thought bubble, postcard The See Saw- Tom Percival Own version narrative, writing in role, notes of advice, missing posters, diary entries, letters of thanks Read Write Inc Phonics |
| Year 2 | Literacy Tree- Literacy Tree- The Bear Under the Stairs by Helen Cooper Information texts, letters, retellings, own version narratives. The Bear and the Piano by David Litchfield Own narratives about bravery, letters of advice, short news reports, writing in role, retellings, information posters. | Literacy Tree- Me and You- Anthony Browne Sequel stories, Wanted posters, letter, retelling from another point of view, lists of rules, character descriptions Wolves- Emily Gravett Non-chronological leaflets, captions, information writing, character descriptions and comparisions | Literacy Tree- The Owl and the Pussy-cat by Edward Lear Rhyming poems, letters, interviews, lists, instructions. Grandad's Camper by Harry Woodgate Sequel narratives, labels, memories poems, interviews, photo album captions, postcards. | Literacy Tree- The Journey Home by Frann Preston-Gannon Persuasive letters, posters, lists, postcards, information reports, short stories. We are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom Environmental campaign, list poems, non-chronological reports, chronological reports, protest signs. | Literacy Tree- The Dragon Machine by Helen Ward Own version dragon stories, dragon guides and encyclopaedias, letters of advice, dragon machine explanations, shopping lists, descriptions, letters. Toys in Space by Mini Grey Own version fantasy world narrative, found posters, diary entries, speech bubbles, notes of advice, space logs, invitations. | Literacy Tree- The Great Fire of London by Emma Adams Information booklets, persuasive posters, warning posters, letters of advice, certificates. A Walk in London by Salvatore Rubbino A Walk inguidebooks, recounts of trips around the local area, statements of information. |
| Year 3 | Literacy Tree- Roots The First Drawing by Mordical Gerstein Historical narratives, character descriptions, diaries, recounts The Tin Forest- Helen Ward Persuasive information leaflets, persuasive posters, information leaflets, | Literacy Tree-Roots The BFG by Roald Dahl Fantasy narratives, diary entry, character descriptions, wanted posters, new chapters, instructions. The Tear Thief by Carol Ann Duffy | Literacy Tree-Roots The Pied Piper of Hamelin by Michael Morpurgo Myths and Legends, writing in role, information reports adverts, formal letters. Literacy Leaf Text Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure-Alex Smith | Literacy Tree-Roots Small in the City by Sydney Smith Extended narrative from alternative perspective, setting description, poem, diary entry, dialogue, letter of advice, lost poster. Cinderella of the Nile by Beverley Naidoo | Literacy Tree-Roots The Mysteries of Harris Burdick by Chris Van Allsberg Mystery narratives, diary entries, dialogue, setting descriptions, atmospheric descriptions, captions and titles. Our Tower by Joseph Coelho Fantasy narratives, poems, setting descriptions, diary | Literacy Tree-Roots Jim, a Cautionary Tale by Hilaire Belloc Narrative poems, warning posters, warning announcements, alternative endings, performance poetry, letters of apology How to Live Forever by Colin Thompson |

| | postcards, diaries, wishes, setting descriptions Literacy Leaf Text Arthur and the Golden Rope | Letters of explanation, shared poems, persuasive posters, discussions Literacy Leaf Text I am the Seed that Grew the Tree- Fiona Waters | | Narratives, descriptive passages, how to guides, letters, discussions, non-chronological reports. Literacy Leaf TextT The White Fox-Jackie Morris | entries, dialogue, letters of thanks. Literacy Leaf Text New and Collected Poems for Children | Prequels, lost posters, dialogue, setting and character descriptions, ledger entries, instructions, letters of warning. Literacy Leaf Text Adventurmice: Otter Chaos-Philip Reeve and Sarah Mcintyre |
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| Year 4 | Literacy Tree- The Baker by the Sea by Paula White Tourist brochure, job applications, advertisements, setting The Lion and the Unicorn by Shirley Hughes Historical narratives, letters, diaries, character and setting descriptions, non- chronological reports. Literacy Leaf Text Zombierella- Joseph Coelho | Literacy Tree- Winters Child- Angela McAllister Fantast story sequels, descriptive poems, postcards, dialogue, setting descriptions as letters, retellings The Crown- Emily Kapff 'Book of wonder' information text, descriptive labels, diary entry in role, poetry, poster Literacy Leaf Text How does a Lighthouse Work? | Literacy Tree- Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll Nonsense poems, performance poetry, explanatory descriptions Granny came here on the Empire Windrush- Patrice Lawrence Factual reports, informal letters, factual statements, future aspirations, postcards, diary entries, speech quotations Literacy Leaf Text The Last Firefox- Lee Newberry | Literacy Tree- FArTHER by Grahame Baker Smith Sequel stories, retellings, postcards, setting descriptions, diary entries, instructions. Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold Narrative retelling as a play script, poetry, setting descriptions, formal letters, dialogue. Literacy Leaf Text The Undeafeted- Kwame Alexander | Literacy Tree- The Story of Tutankhamun by Patricia Cleveland-Peck Biographies, reports, instructions, character descriptions, diaries, newspaper, posters. Weslandia- Paul Fleischman Imagined land narratives, character description, informative posters, persuasive leaflets, logbooks Literacy Leaf Text Viking Voyagers- Jack Tite | Literacy Tree- Varmints by Helen Ward Explanations, descriptive comparisons, retellings, setting descriptions, poetry Until I Met Dudley by Roger McGough and Chris Riddell Explanation texts-formal and informal, letters, short explanatory paragraphs. Literacy Leaf Text The Wild Robot- Peter Brown |
| Year 5 | Literacy Tree- Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly Memoirs, reports, formal and informal letters, diaries, character descriptions, journalistic writing Firebird- Saviour Pirotta and Catherin Hyde Fairy-tale narratives, formal letters, retellings, character descriptions Literacy Leaf Text Comic-Frank Cottrell Boyce | Literacy Tree- The Lost Thing- Shaun Tan Narratives, diaries, formal letters, adverts, character and setting descriptions, reports. Freedom Bird-Jerdine Nolan Biographies, non-narrative poems, explanations, dialogues, postcards, letters of advice, descriptions, recounts, narrative poems Literacy Leaf Text The Secret of Haven Point- Lisette Auton | Literacy Tree- Kaspar, Prince of Cats by Michael Morpurrgo Newspaper articles, character descriptions, reports, letters, advertising, leaflets, balanced reports. Anne Frank by Josephine Poole Newspaper articles, letters, short descriptions, extended diary entries, obituaries, opinion pieces. The Lost Thing- Shaun Tan Narratives, diaries, formal letters, adverts, character and setting descriptions, reports. | Literacy Tree- The Sleeper and the Spindle by Neil Gaiman and Chris Riddell Fairy tale re-workings, warning posters, diaries, dialogue, estate agent descriptions, character descriptions, missing narratives. The Lost Happy Endings by Carol Ann Duffy Alternative perspective prequels, newspaper reports, extended responses to a text Literacy Leaf Text Who Let the Gods Out- Maz Evans | Literacy Tree- The Man Who Walked Between the Towers by Mordicai Gerstein Biographies/Autobiographies, Wikipedia pages, letters of advice, interviews, news report, persuasive speeches. The Tempest by William Shakespeare Play scripts, setting descriptions, character descriptions, diaries, dialogue The Island by Armin Greder Sequels, welcome guides, descriptions, letters of advice, diary entries in role, imagined conversations. | Literacy Tree-High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson Extended stories, character and setting descriptions, police and newspaper reports, dialogue, persuasive letters. Curiosity by Markus Motum Expanded explanations, information labels, short explanations, NASA logs, news reports. Literacy Leaf Text Real-life mysteries- Susan Martineau and Vicky Barker |

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| Year 6 | Literacy Tree- The Arrival by Shaun Tan Extended narratives, letters, lists of rules, character descriptions, diaries, short play-scripts, short reports, guides. Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah Persuasive pitch to the local council, thought bubbles, informal letter, poem, diary entry Literacy Leaf Text Fly Me Home- Polly Ho Hen On the Move: Poems about Migration-Michael Rosen | Literacy Tree- The Promise by Nicola Davies Sequels to continue the cyclical story, experimentation with figurative language, reports. The Hidden Forest by Jeannie Baker Balanced discussions, research notes, non-chronological reports in the form of a letter to a character. Literacy Leaf Text The Tiger Rising- Kate DiCamillo Beetle Boy- M.G. Leonard | Literacy Tree- Suffragette: The Battle for Equality- David Roberts Persuasive campaigns, formal letters, diaries, balanced arguments, speeches, short news reports Literacy Leaf Text Malala- Malala Yousafzai Black and British: A short essential history- David Olusoga | Literacy Tree- The Three Little Pigs Project by The Guardian Discussion texts, news report, persuasive speeches, narratives from a particular point of view, interview scripts, diaries. Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho- Yen Past and present tense narratives, journalistic writing, formal letters, non-chronological reports. Literacy Leaf Text The Wolves of Willoughby Chase- Joan Aiken Caged Bird- Maya Angelou | Literacy Tree- Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare Play-scripts, diaries, letters, character descriptions, balanced arguments Rain Player- David Wisniewski Analytical essays, instructions, posters, missing scenes, diaries, debates Literacy Leaf Text Grimm Tales for Old and Young- Philip Pullman The Explorer- Katherine Rundell | Literacy Tree- Unforgotten Coat- Frank Cottrell Boyce Own version narratives, diaries, explanations, science experiments, dialogue, non- chronological reports Night Mail by WH Auden Poetry, letters, diaries, information leaflets, instructions. Literacy Leaf Text Incredible Journeys- Levison Wood After the War: From Auschwitz to Ambleside-Tom Palmer |

