

English long term plan

Year 6

Unit of study/genre/text	Examples of writing activities + linked comprehensions
Punctuation and Grammar	Informal and formal vocabulary choices , use of the passive voice, use of the subjunctive form for formal writing , use of cohesive devices across paragraphs, layout devices to structure texts Use of semi-colon, colon and dash for independent clauses, use of colon to introduce a list, semi-colons within lists, punctuation of bullet points, use of hyphen Subject, object, active ,passive, synonym, antonym, Ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semi-colon, bullet points
Spelling	Year 5/6 key words. Revision of year 3/4 key words. Revision of spelling rules taught in Year 5. No-nonsense spelling Yr 6
Journalistic writing	Write a news report about an escaped pig – using direct and reported speech punctuation. Or write a journalistic report about a Christmas issue Research, make notes on a current news story linked to Climate change Write own news report on this story news report – e.g boy falls through ice/lion escapes from the zoo. Comprehensions:
Persuasive writing	Write a letter to the head teacher to persuade him to allow mobile phones in school Persuasive article to encourage people to reduce their use of fossil fuels Write a letter to the council to argue against a new development over an existing pond Write a persuasive leaflet for Weyton community park Comprehensions:
Discursive writing	Should Antarctica be mined? Should yr 6 children have televisions in their bedrooms? Should Primary school children wear school uniform? Should yr 6 children be allowed to cycle to school? Comprehensions:
Biographical writing	Write a biography of Sir Francis Drake Write a biography of a friend Comprehensions: biography of Malala Usef Excerpt from Cider with Rosie by Laurie Lee
Description	The witch The ice-berg
Poetry The power of imagery	Comprehension – Giant Winter The warm and the cold by Ted Hughes – detailed essay about the use of structure and imagery Comprehension: -The sea is a hungry dog by James Reeves -I must go down to the sea again by John Masefield Write a storm poem Comprehension – The Listeners by Walter de-la-Mare

	Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll–activity to rewrite the poem – word classes/vocabulary/rhythm and rhyme Learn Jabberwocky by heart and perform
Narrative writing Using flash-back Creating characters Building tension Using dialogue to move the plot on/show characters/show levels of formality	Plan and write a Christmas story Comprehension The day we won medals Plan, write and edit a flash-back story – the day we won medals Plan, write and edit an adventure story Independent writing - an issue story – Hannah and the bullies Alma – a mystery story based on video Workshop – showing characters through dialogue Workshop – building tension
Classic fiction (excerpts) Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe Wind in the willows by Kenneth Graham The war of the worlds by H.G. Wells The Weirdstone of Brisengamen	Robinson Crusoe – write description of storm at sea and R.C. arriving at the island from the point of view of Man Friday Wind in the Willows –comprehension Write diary entries by different characters War of the World –comprehension Write a description of an alien space-craft and an alien Weirdstone of Brisengamen – comprehension Re-write excerpt from point of view of a character
The Hobbit by J.R.Tolkien (whole text read with class) (Modern classic)	Comprehension – the incident with the trolls Description of Bilbo’s home after the arrival of the dwarves, the cave and Gollum. Diary entry by Bilbo Baggins Account of the incident with the trolls from a character’s perspective Summary of the dwarves song Memorise the dwarves song and perform. Description of the cave and Gollum Write own riddles
Kensuke’s Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo (whole text read with class) (Modern fiction) (RRS link)	Write a discussion – should my family sail round the world? Write a diary entry about a time you were frightened Write an essay to discuss the character of Michael. Write an informal letter from Michael to Eddie Write 2 contrasting diary entrees as Kensuke. Write a detailed book review Plan and write a similar story Comprehensions based on specific chapters
Pig-heart boy by Malorie Blackman (modern fiction)	Comprehension – the reporters Debate – should Cameron agree to the transplant?

(RRS link)	Letter from Doctor Bryce to Cameron – should Cameron have the transplant
Heslington Hall Formal and informal	Write a formal persuasive letter, an informal letter, a news report formal letter of complaint workshop: formal and informal language and structures
Under the quilt of night by Deborah Hopkinson (Linked to slave trade topic) (RRS link)	Write a poem – What is freedom? Contrasting diary entries – running away and arriving in Canada. Write an interview with the runaway girl
British week Macbeth by Shakespeare Democracy and the history of the suffragette movement	Description of the heath and Lady Macbeth News report – the death of King Duncan An explanation of how parliament works A persuasive letter as a suffragette Comprehension: how women got the vote
International week	Choice of written responses to survivors of Auschwitz Research and write a persuasive travel brochure about Poland. Write a traditional Polish story