

Hadley Wood Primary School

Year 2 Genre Map 2025-26

	Autumn 1 (7 ½ weeks)	Autumn 2 (7 weeks)	Spring 1 (6 weeks)	Spring 2 (5 weeks)	Summer 1 (6 weeks)	Summer 2 (7 weeks)
Humanities Topics	The Great Fire of London	Around The World	Hot and Cold Places	Look After Me	Space Race	Mugaremo
Book study	I'll Take You to Mrs Cole (PHSE)	The Pirate Next Door			Dogs in Space	
Literary Spine	The Twits Roald Dahl	Flat Stanley Jeff Brown	Diary of a Killer Cat Anne Fine	Ellie and The Cat Malorie Blackman	Space Detectives <i>Mark Powers and Dapo Adeola</i>	An Alien in the Jam Factory <i>Chrissie Sains</i>
Spelling	The order of spellings being taught should be adapted to the needs of the class and writing being covered e.g common exception words may be taught on a more frequent basis. WAGOLLS and shared writing should cover the spelling rule being focussed on and previous learning where possible. https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5a7de93840f0b62305b7f8ee/PRIMARY_national_curriculum_-_English_220714.pdf					
	Back to Basics Approach (grammar focus): >Simple sentence construction >Use of capital letters and full stops to demarcate sentences > Join words and clauses using the conjunctions and >Choice and consistent use of the past tense > Add suffixes using – ed where not change is needed in the spelling of the root word e.g. help – helped > Co-ordinating conjunctions and, or, but and subordinating conjunction because > Understanding the difference between common and proper nouns (with correct capitalisation) >Adjectives > Letter formation using RWI rhymes, ensuring correctly sized ascenders and descenders.	Letters Based on the Pirates Next Door (3 weeks) > subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but) > Use of question marks to demarcate sentences > Add suffixes using –ing where no change is needed to the root word e.g. help - helping	Non-Chronological Reports: - Animal Adaptations (arctic animal and create own fictional animal) (4 weeks) >commas in a list >present tense > subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but) >suffixes er and est	Letters Florence Nightingale and Soldiers Letters Home – 2 letters (3 weeks) > subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but) >apostrophes for possession and contractions > sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command	Information Text on The Space Race (1 week) > use of possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, Neil's adventure > subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)	Twisted Fairy Tales or Traditional Tale – Three Billy Goats Gruff (3 Weeks) > apostrophes for contraction and possession >sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command > subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)
				Writing about Real life experiences: Chick Diary (1 week) >Children to write a much more detailed version of the one in their science books >Present tense >Commas in a list	Narrative: Albie in Space including short burst descriptive writing (4 weeks) > apostrophes for contraction and possession > expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly] >?! ,	Recipe for Friendship (1 week) >add suffixes to spell longer words, including –ment, –ness, –ful, –less, –ly

	Stimulus may include: I'll Take You to Mrs Cole – Nigel Grey The Funfair (image) Book of Butterflies (film) Into the Future (image) The Dragon Slayer (film)				>homophones	
	Diary Writing (The Great Fire) (3 weeks) >Past tense >Simple sentences structure >Adjectives > Use of the suffix – ly in Standard English to turn adjectives into adverbs	Adventure (Rags to riches) Story based on The Pirate Next Door (3 weeks) >Capital letters and full stops to be secure > expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly] > Use of exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	Character Descriptions The Snow Beast (2 weeks) > expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly] >Commas in a list >Suffixes – ly and ness (e.g. scarily, kindness) >Conjunctions	Acrostic Poem – Chicks (1 Week)	Recount – Barnet Countryside Center (1Week) > subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)	Tinga Tales (Warning Tale) (2 weeks) >Cross reference with TAF and adapt planning to any objectives that need covering.
		NB: Class teacher may wish to shorten the letter writing unit to enable pupils to write about their Forest School experiences as a recount (1 week)				
Throughout all units of work opportunities should be planned for pupils make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by: - evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils - re-reading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form - proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation [for example, ends of sentences punctuated correctly - read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.						
Extended Writing Opportunities in Wider Curriculum Books	Instructions Baking Bread – Design and Technology	Letter Write to Alice Leghorn about your travels based on locational knowledge – Geography	Non Chronological Report Hot and Cold Places – Science	Diary Chick Hatching– Science	Diary Big Question - Why was the moon landing such a significant event? - History	Letter Big Question: How should we care for others and the world, and why does it matter? Religion and World Views Education

NB: These units may change due to the needs and interests of the cohort

The grammar noted within each unit will be focused on through both grammar teaching and modelling throughout writing. Throughout each unit a wider range of grammar will be covered within teaching and learning, as part of the writing process e.g. previously taught punctuation and grammar. Appropriate genre features will be covered within each unit.