**English – Year 3 Curriculum Map 2025-26**

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|  | **Autumn 1****7 weeks and 3 days** | **Autumn 2****7 weeks** | **Spring 1****6 weeks** | **Spring 2****5 weeks** | **Summer 1****6 weeks** | **Summer 2****7 weeks** |
| **Unit heading** | **Bridging Unit****A Bear Called Paddington** | **The Green Children Unit** | **The Iron Man** | **Romans – Non-fiction Unit** | **Romans – Narrative Unit** | **The Spider and the Fly Unit**  |
| **Text types** | Story as a themeInformation text: leaflet/guide | Folk TalesInstructionsRecount: letters | Novel as a theme Recount: diaries | Information texts: booklets | Story as a theme | Integrated unit including reports, menus, persuasive letters, story openings and narrative based on the classic poem |
| **Skill focus** | * Subordination for time
* Commas to demarcate clauses
* Complex sentences using a range of conjunctions
* Noun phrases
* Vocabulary banks
* Inverted commas
* Statements, questions, exclamations
* Main and subordinate clauses
* Compound words
* Determiners a and an
 | * Commas to demarcate clauses
* Complex sentences using a range of conjunctions, e.g., *when, if, because, although, while, since, until, before, after, so, as*
* Inverted commas
* Determiners a and an
 | * Use the determiner ‘a’ or ‘an’ correctly.
* Select and use adverbs eg, *suddenly, silently, soon.*
* Commas to demarcate clauses
 | * Complex sentences using a range of conjunctions, e.g., *when, if, because, although, while, since, until, before, after, so, as*
* Main and subordinate clauses
* Commas to demarcate clauses
 | * Select, generate and effectively use adverbs e.g., *soon, suddenly, silently.*
* Create sentences with fronted adverbials for when and where (Y4).
* Identify, select, generate and effectively use prepositions for where e.g., *above, beneath, within, outside, beyond.*
 | * Inverted commas
* Adverbs
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| **Talk Programme Strategies**  | Talk strategies detailed in the Bridging Unit planning document | Book talkVocabularyRole-playOral retell of a storyRole-play (first lines drama) | Book TalkVocabularyRole-playOral retell of story | Whoosh overviewVocabularyTalk Like an ExpertVAK TimelineRead. Turn. Learn.Stop. Swap. Repeat. | Artefact sessionSentence MappingClose readingHuman sentencesWord and phrase pullWhoosh story | Role-play and first lines dramaPoetry mapping and performance |
| **Modelled and independent short writing opportunities** | Character descriptionsDiary entriesPredictionsAlternative endings to chaptersLetters/postcardsDescriptions of objectsParagraphs including dialogue | Diary entriesRole on the wall/ character profilesMenus | Diary entries including those written from own character and in role as a character.Story based on a plot structure from a focus text. | Job applicationBlackout poemTop Trumps cardTalk Like an Expert documentary/script | Artefact SessionTrue? Say whyImpressions of leaders/ charactersBoudicca's SpeechCharacter profilesTop Trumps cardsCeltic Warrior poem/ song/ speechMagazine interviewPrepositions song | CSI reportMenusDream/daydream |
| **Modelled and independent extended writing outcome(s)** | Innovated narrative based on a modelInformation leaflet/guide | Innovated outcome of a folk tale based on a modelRecount: Letter in roleInstructions | Diary entry.Story. | Tri-fold information leaflets about Roman Britain | Narrative historical stories | Narrative stories inspired by poetryPersuasive letters |

**Talk Three Text Overview**

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| **Bridging Unit title** **A Bear Called Paddington** | **The Green Children Unit** | **Romans – Non-fiction Unit** | **Romans – Narrative Unit** | **The Spider and the Fly Unit**  |
| **Focus text**A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond | **Focus texts**Greenling by Levi Pinfold The Night Gardener by The Fan BrothersThe Green Children of Wolf Pit – website and film examplesThe Green Children by Kevin Crossley-HollandA story written by Nicola Martin (English Consultant) based on the folk tale | **Focus texts**Horrible Histories: Rotten Romans by Terry DearyAncient Rome by DK EyewitnessSo You Think You’ve Got it Bad? A kid’s Life in Ancient Rome by Chae Strathie1066 and Before That – History Poems by Brian Moses and Roger Stevens | **Focus text:**Queen Boudicca’s Revenge: A Historical Story written by Steven Kenyon (English Consultant)**OR*** The Golden Eagle: A Stone Age Story written by Steven Kenyon
* Khufu’s Jealous Brother: An Ancient Egyptian Story written by Steven Kenyon
* Persephone and Hades Persephone: An Ancient Greek Story written by Steven Kenyon
 | **Focus text**The Spider and The Fly by Tony DiTerrlizi |
| **Link texts**Best-Loved Paddington Stories by Michael Bond The Complete Adventures of Paddington by Michael Bond Paddington – A Treasury for the Very Young by Michael Bond Paddington film (PG) 2014 Paddington 2 film (PG) 2017 Paddington 2: Story of the Movie by Anna Wilson**Non-fiction:**Look Inside London by Jonathan Melmoth (Usborne)  Kids’ Travel Guide London (Flying Kids) I-spy London: What Can You Spot? (Collins Michelin i-SPY Guides) 50 Things to Spot in London (Usborne Spotter’s Cards)Top Trumps London cards: 30 Things to SeePop-Up London by Jennie MaizelsSee Inside London by Rob Lloyd Jones (Usborne)London City Trails (Lonely Planet Kids)My First Book of London by Charlotte GuillainPaddington stories that link specifically to London landmarks, e.g. * Paddington at the Palace by Michael Bond
* Paddington at St Paul’s by Michael Bond
* Paddington at the Tower by Michael Bond
* Paddington and the Grand Tour by Michael Bond.
* Paddington Pop-Up London: Movie tie-in
* Paddington’s Guide to London by Michael Bond
 | **Link Texts** The Weed by Quentin Blake The Green Ship by Quentin BlakeA House That Once Was by Julie Fogliano and Lane SmithGrandpa Green by Lane Smith | **Link Texts**Land of the Gods by Sally PrueQueen of Darkness by Tony BradmanRevolt Against the Romans by Tony BradmanVita The Gladiator -by Ally Sherrick**OR**Secret of the Stones by Tony BradmanStig of the Dump by Clive KingThe First Drawing by Mordicai GersteinThe Wild Way Home by Sophie KirtleySong Hunter by Sally PrueStone Age Tales (various) by Terry DearySavage Stone Age: Horrible Histories by Terry DearyDK Find Out! Stone AgeThe Stone Age and Skara Brae by Ben HubbardStone Age to Iron Age by Clare HibbertThe Secrets of Stonehenge by Mick ManningThe Stone Age: Hunters, gatherers, and Woolly Mammoths by Marcia Williams24 hours in the Stone Age by Lan Cook**OR**Egyptian Tales (various) by Terry DearyThe Sacred Scarab by Gill HarveyThe Crocodile Tomb by Michelle PaverThe Egyptian Cinderella by Shirley ClimoSecrets of a Sun King by Emma CarrollMarcy and the Riddle of the Sphynx by Joe Todd StantonAncient Egypt: DK EyewitnessSo, You Think You've Got It Bad? A Kid's Life in Ancient Egypt by Chae Strathie and Marisa MoreaAwful Egyptians: Horrible Histories by Terry DearyAwesome Egyptians: Horrible Histories by Terry DearyA Visitor's Guide to Ancient Egypt by Lesley Sims**OR**Beasts of Olympus: Beast Keeper by Lucy CoatsGreek Tales (various) by Terry DearyGreek Myths by Marcia WilliamsThe Orchard Book of Greek Myths by Geraldine McCaughreanWho Let the Gods Out by Maz EvansFleeced! An Aries Adventure by Julia WillsAncient Greece: DK EyewitnessSo You Think You've Got It Bad? A Kid's Life in Ancient Greece by Chae Strathie and Marisa MoreaMythologica: An Encyclopedia of Gods, Monsters and Mortals from ancient Greek by Dr. Stephen P. KershawGroovy Greeks: Horrible Histories by Terry DearyA Visitor's Guide to Ancient Greece by Lesley Sims | **Link Texts**Aesop’s Fables by Malorie BlackmanA Collection of Favourite Aesop’s Fables by Randall and GardnerCharlotte’s Web by E.B. WhiteJames and the Giant Peach by Roald DahlSpinderella by Julia DonaldsonAnansi the Clever Spider by Susie Linn and Barbara CantiniThe Complete Bible Story Book for Kids by Karen Jones |