Medium-term planning Spring 1: Dragons

W	Outcome	Curriculum objective
1	Can distinguish between the features of myths and the features of legends. Can write information texts in paragraphs.	 To increase familiarity with a wide range of books and retell some of these orally. To identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books. To plan their writing by discussing and recording ideas. To organise paragraphs around a theme. To compose and rehearse sentences orally, progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (see Appendix 2). To identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise them.
2	Can write using a range of different sentence structures. Can write explanation texts with headings.	 To retrieve and record information from non-fiction. To ask questions to improve their understanding of a text. To use a wider range of conjunctions and include more clauses in a sentence. To draft and write non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices. To assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggest changes. To propose changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency. To proofread for spelling and punctuation errors. To use fronted adverbials, followed by commas to indicate grammatical features. To identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise them.
3	Can discuss characters. Can use inference. Can write a diary entry from a character's point of view.	 To apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (see Appendix 1), both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words. To listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts. To discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination. To draw inferences and justify them with evidence, predicting what might happen from details stated and implied. To discuss books that they have read and listened to, taking turns to share thoughts. To compose and rehearse sentences orally, progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (see Appendix 2). To assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggest changes.
4	Can use the features of a playscript appropriately. Can perform a script. Can select the correct spelling of homophones.	 To listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts. To discuss writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, grammar and vocabulary. To read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear. To compose and rehearse sentences orally, progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (see Appendix 2). To assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggest changes. To draw inferences and justify them with evidence, predicting what might happen from details stated and implied. To spell further homophones.
5	Can use imaginative language and create atmosphere in non-fiction. Can use possessive apostrophes.	 To write sentences dictated to them that include taught words and punctuation. To plan their writing by discussing and recording ideas. To compose and rehearse sentences orally, progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (see Appendix 2). To organise paragraphs around a theme. To draft and write narratives, creating settings, characters and plot. To indicate possession by using an apostrophe with singular and plural nouns.
6	Can plan and write a free verse dragon poem, using varied and rich vocabulary.	 To prepare poems and playscripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action. To recognise some different forms of poetry. To compose and rehearse sentences orally, progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (see Appendix 2). To discuss writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, grammar and vocabulary. To revise all of the handwriting curriculum objectives in Years 3-4. Revision and assessment of the half-term's work.
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