



## Key Texts for Inspiring Writing in English – Reception – Oldfield Primary

Term	Key Text and Author Two titles – one for each half termly role play theme		Title, author and publication date
Autumn 1	  		<b>Mog and the V.E.T</b> <b>Judith Kerr 1996</b>  <b>Who's in my family?</b> <b>Robie Harris 2012</b>
Autumn 2	  		<b>Cinderella</b> <b>Traditional Tale</b>  <b>Pirates go to school</b> <b>Corinne Demas 2011</b>
Spring 1	 		<b>Little Red Hen</b> <b>Traditional Tale</b>  <b>Peppa Pig's Dentist Trip</b> <b>Ladybird 2009</b>
Spring 2	   		<b>Aliens Love Underpants</b> <b>Claire Freedman 2007</b>  <b>Harry and his Bucketful of Dinosaurs</b> <b>Ian Whybrow 2003</b>
Summer 1	  		<b>The Three Little Pigs</b> <b>Traditional Tale</b>  <b>Sharing a Shell</b> <b>Julia Donaldson 2004</b>
Summer 2	   		<b>The Enormous Turnip</b> <b>Traditional Tale</b>  <b>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</b> <b>Eric Carle 1969</b>  <b>The Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems</b> <b>Edited by June Crebbin 2000</b>



## Key Texts for Inspiring Writing in English – Year One – Oldfield Primary

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Autumn 1	 		<b>On the Way Home by Jill Murphy 1982</b> Claire has hurt her knee so she sets off home to tell her mom all about it. On the way she meets her friends and tells them each a different story on how she got her scrape. Was she dropped by a wolf, a slithering snake, an enormous dragon, or a hairy gorilla? Just how did that scrape happen?
Autumn 2	 		<b>The Jolly Postman (Christmas) by Janet and Allan Ahlberg 1991</b> The Jolly Postman brings a batch of wonderful letters for Christmas, including notes from the Big Bad Wolf and all the King's men.
Spring 1	 		<b>Cinderella and Adelita by Tomie de Paola 2004</b> So begins the age-old tale of a kind-hearted young woman, her jealous stepmother, two hateful stepsisters, and a young man in search of a wife. This favourite fairy tale takes a delightful twist.
Spring 2	 		<b>The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry 1990</b> One day, a man exhausts himself trying to chop down a giant kapok tree. While he sleeps, the forest's residents, including a child from the Yanomamo tribe, whispers in his ear about the importance of trees and how "all living things depend on one another" . . . and it works.
Summer 1	 		<b>Mixed Up Fairy Tales by Hillary Robinson 2004</b> This fantastic split page, spiral bound book allows the reader to mix and match different combinations of fairy tales with hilarious results. What would happen if Goldilocks had two horrid stepsisters and fell asleep for a hundred years?
Summer 2	 		<b>100 Brilliant Poems for Children 2016</b> From Paul Cookson comes 100 Brilliant Poems for Children, featuring the best of the absolute best. The essential poems for every child to read and enjoy.





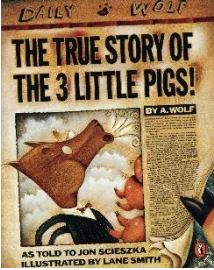

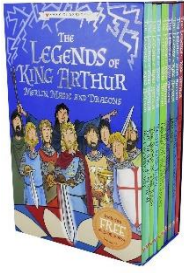

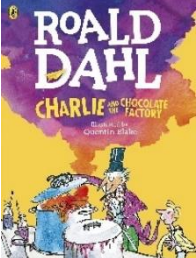

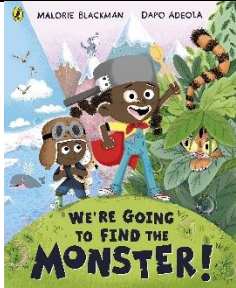

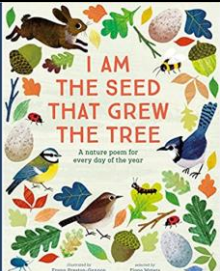



## Key Texts for Inspiring Writing in English – Year Two – Oldfield Primary

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Autumn 1			<b>Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg 1981</b> But they were bored, restless and looking for something interesting to do... so they thought they'd give Jumanji a try. Little did they know when they unfolded its ordinary-looking playing board that they were about to be plunged into the most exciting and bizarre adventure of their lives.
Autumn 2			<b>Dear Earth by Isabel Otter 2020</b> When Tessa writes a love letter to the Earth, it's the beginning of a glorious adventure. She blows bubbles with whales, soars with birds and joins in with the noisy rainforest hullabaloo! Tessa wants everyone to know how special our planet is.
Spring 1			<b>Rosie Revere Engineer by Andrea Beaty 2013</b> Rosie may seem quiet during the day, but at night she's a brilliant inventor of gizmos and gadgets who dreams of becoming a great engineer. When her great-great-aunt Rose (Rosie the Riveter) comes for a visit and mentions her one unfinished goal--to fly--Rosie sets to work building a contraption to make her aunt's dream come true.
Spring 2			<b>George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl 1981</b> George's Grandma is a grizzly, grumpy, selfish old woman with pale brown teeth and a small puckered up mouth like a dog's bottom. Four times a day she takes a large spoonful of medicine, but it doesn't seem to do her any good.
Summer 1			<b>The Tunnel by Anthony Browne 1997</b> Jack fearlessly explores the tunnel he found while playing, but when he doesn't return, his sister Rose goes in the tunnel to find him.
Summer 2			<b>Poems Aloud by Joseph Coelho 2022</b> A wittily illustrated anthology of poems, designed to be read aloud. Twenty poems by the award-winning Joseph Coelho arm children with techniques for lifting poetry off the page and performing with confidence.



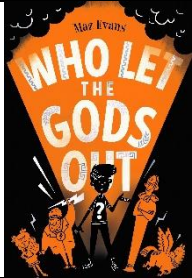

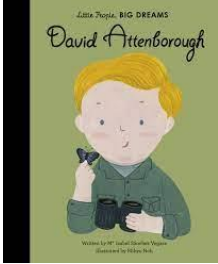

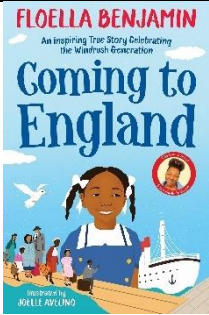

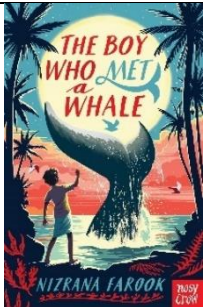

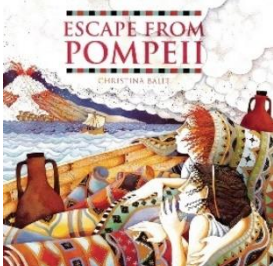

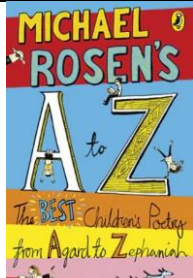

## Key Texts for Inspiring Writing in English – Year Three – Oldfield Primary

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Autumn 1			<b>Inspirational People (Amelia Earhart) 2016</b> When Amelia was young she liked to imagine she could stretch her wings and fly away like a bird. As a grown woman she set a new female world record for flying up to 14,000 feet.
Autumn 2			<b>The True Story Of The Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka 1996</b> In this hysterical and clever fracture fairy tale picture book that twists point of view and perspective, young readers will finally hear the other side of the story of "The Three Little Pigs."
Spring 1			<b>The Legend of King Arthur: Merlin, Magic and Dragons Tracey Mayhew 2020</b> Epic battles and thrilling quests. A retelling of 10 Arthurian Legends adapted and illustrated for children aged 7+. Great to share aloud, just like the original tales.
Spring 2			<b>Charlie And The Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl 1964</b> Charlie Bucket's wonderful adventure begins when he finds one of Mr. Willy Wonka's precious Golden Tickets and wins a whole day inside the mysterious chocolate factory. Little does he know the surprises that are in store for him!
Summer 1			<b>We're going to find the monster! by Malorie Blackman 2021</b> <i>Over the shimmering ocean, up the huge, high mountain, through the deep, dark forest... WE'RE GOING TO FIND THE MONSTER!</i> Join two intrepid adventurers as their imaginations transform their house into a wild wonderland - and their big brother becomes a mighty monster.
Summer 2			<b>I am the seed that grew the tree by Fiona Waters 2018</b> A lavishly illustrated collection of 366 nature poems - one for every day of the year, including leap years. Filled with familiar favourites and new discoveries, written by a wide variety of poets.



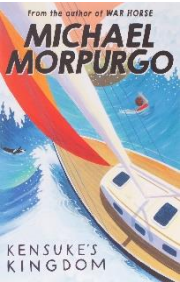

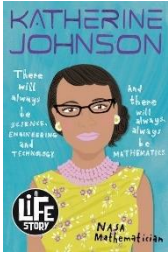

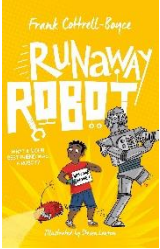

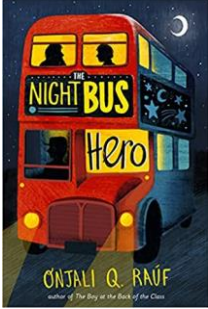

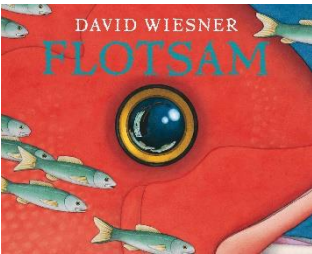

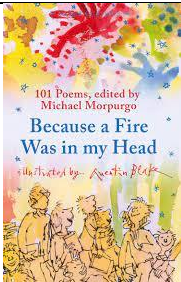



## Key Texts for Inspiring Writing in English – Year Four – Oldfield Primary

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Autumn 1			<b>Who Let The Gods Out? by Maz Evans 2017</b> The star is Virgo - a young Zodiac goddess on a mission. But the pair accidentally release Thanatos, a wicked death daemon imprisoned beneath Stonehenge, and must then turn to the old Olympian gods for help.
Autumn 2			<b>Inspirational People (David Attenborough) 2020</b> Little David grew up in Leicester on the campus of a university, where his father was a professor. As a child, he spent hours in the science library, collecting his own specimens and creating a mini animal museum.
Spring 1			<b>Coming to England by Floella Benjamin 2021</b> Floella Benjamin was just a young girl when she, her sister and two brothers arrived in England in 1960 to join their parents, whom they had not seen for fifteen months. They had left the island paradise of Trinidad to make a new home in London.
Spring 2			<b>The Boy Who Met A Whale by Nizrana Farook 2021</b> Razi, a local fisher boy, is watching turtle eggs hatch when he sees a boat bobbing into view. With a chill, he notices a small, still hand hanging over the side... Inside is Zheng, who's escaped a shipwreck and is full of tales of sea monsters and missing treasure.
Summer 1			<b>Escape From Pompeii by Christina Balit 2003</b> Tranio, like most Roman boys, likes to watch whatever is going on: tradesmen selling their goods, ships unloading their exotic cargoes, politicians making speeches in the forum. But one hot August day a very different scene unfolds.
Summer 2			<b>Michael Rosen's A to Z: The best children's poetry from Agard to Zephaniah by Michael Rosen 2009</b> From Agard to Zephaniah, the very best of children's poetry from the very best of children's poets appears in this wonderful and exciting anthology edited by Michael Rosen, the Children's Laureate.





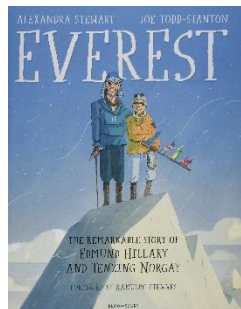

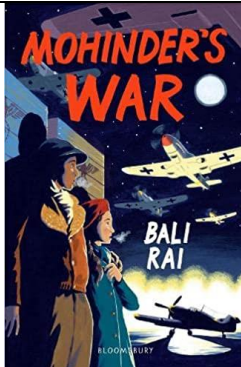


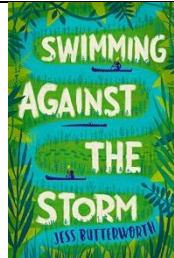

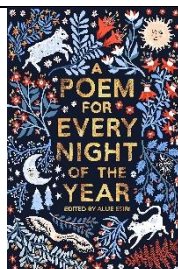

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Autumn 1	 	<p><b>Kensuke's Kingdom</b> by Michael Morpurgo 1999</p> <p>When Michael is washed up on an island in the Pacific after falling from his parent's yacht, the <i>Peggy Sue</i>, he struggles to survive on his own. But he soon realises there is someone close by, someone who is watching over him and helping him to stay alive.</p>
Autumn 2	 	<p><b>Inspirational People</b> (Katherine Johnson) 2019</p> <p>This life story of a remarkable mathematician has at least some of the answers. And Katherine Johnson wasn't just a brilliant academic, she was also black and female, which makes her achievements all the more impressive.</p>
Spring 1	 	<p><b>Runaway Robot</b> by Frank Cottrell Boyce 2019</p> <p>When Alfie goes to Airport Lost Property, he finds more than he bargained for. A lot more. Because there's a giant robot called Eric hidden away on the shelves.</p>
Spring 2	 	<p><b>The Night Bus Hero</b> by Onjali Q. Rauf 2020</p> <p>Hector is a bully who doesn't really care about anyone. When a spate of London landmark sculptures are suddenly stolen, including Paddington Bear and the Eros statue in Piccadilly Circus, Hector must race against time to make sure justice is done - but that's not the only thing he needs to change.</p>
Summer 1	 	<p><b>Flotsam</b> by David Wiesner 2006</p> <p>A young boy comes to the beach eager to collect and examine flotsam—anything floating that has been washed ashore. But nothing among his usual finds compares with the discovery of a barnacle-encrusted underwater camera with its own secrets to share . . . and to keep.</p>
Summer 2	 	<p><b>Because a fire was in my head</b> edited by Michael Rosen 2001</p> <p>We only have to 'remember, remember the 5th of November' to see a dark night filled with fireworks and bonfires. In their many different ways - through their sounds, rhythms, stories, surprises and jokes - these poems will set the fireworks crackling in our own heads.</p>





## Key Texts for Inspiring Writing in English – Year Six – Oldfield Primary

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Autumn 1			<p><b>Macbeth by William Shakespeare 1606</b></p> <p>Macbeth encounters three witches who foretell that he will become king of Scotland. At first sceptical, he's urged on by the ruthless, single-minded ambitions of Lady Macbeth, who suffers none of her husband's doubt.</p>
Autumn 2			<p><b>Everest – The remarkable story of Edmund Hilary and Tenzing Norgay by Alexandra Stewart 2019</b></p> <p>In the late morning of May 29th 1953, the sun was shining brightly on the roof of the world, a gentle breeze was blowing and two men were there to witness it for the first time ever. Their names were Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay and the roof of the world was Everest.</p>
Spring 1			<p><b>Mohinder's War by Bali Rai 2020</b></p> <p>A thrilling World War II adventure set in occupied France, featuring an Indian RAF pilot. Great for fans of Michael Morpurgo and John Boyne, and those who want diverse historical fiction. Thirteen-year-old Joelle Breton stumbles across Indian-born RAF pilot Mohinder Singh when his plane crashes in occupied France and it's up to her and her parents to hide him from the Nazis.</p>
Spring 2			<p></p> <p><b>Selection of short horror stories</b> Multiple authors and publications</p> <p><b>Short by Kevin Crossley-Holland 1998</b> and <b>Swimming against the storm by Jess Butterworth 2019</b></p> <p>Our land is sinking. It's disappearing into the water. And no one knows how to save it.</p>
Summer 1	<p><b>No key text due to SATs (preparation and assessment) and residential trip</b></p> <p>Children will have the opportunity to continue to read for pleasure in the classroom and to continue to self-select reading books. Reading will be covered in other areas in the curriculum.</p>		
Summer 2			<p><b>A poem for every night of the year edited by Allie Esiri 2016</b></p> <p>The poems – together with introductory paragraphs – have a link to the date on which they appear. Shakespeare celebrates midsummer night, Maya Angelou International Women's Day and Lewis Carroll April Fool's day.</p>