YEAR 4 WRITING JOURNEY

St Boniface RC Primary School — Aspire Believe Achieve

Autumn

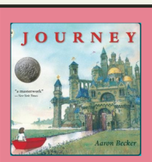
Writing
Texts + main outcomes

Spelling rules
Emile patterns + word families

Handwriting objectives
3 times per week
Pencil, then purple pen

Autumn 1 · Weeks 1–7

Sentence-building checkpoint
Weeks 1–2 · 2 weeks



Journey
Narrative
Fiction
Weeks 3–5 · 3 weeks

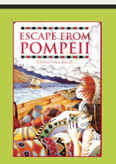


The Present
Character description
Fiction
Film
Weeks 6–7 · 2 weeks

Autumn 2 · Weeks 8–14



The Day the Crayons Came Home
Recount (letters/postcards)
Non-fiction
Weeks 8–10 · 3 weeks



Escape from Pompeii
Recount
Non-fiction
Weeks 11–13 · 3 weeks



The Christmas Pine
Poetry
Fiction
Week 14

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10	WEEK 11	WEEK 12	WEEK 13	WEEK 14
in-	im-	il- ir-	sub- super-	inter-	anti- auto-	Recap	Manner	Time	Place	-ation	Y3–4 List 1	Y3–4 List 2	Assess
Prefix	Prefix	Prefixes	Prefixes	Prefix	Prefixes	Consolidation	Adverbs	Adverbs	Adverbs	Nouns	Year 3 & 4 word list	Year 3 & 4 word list	Autumn assessment
Join onto	**Join onto**	**Join onto**	**Join from**	**Join from**	**Join from**	**Letter pairs**	**Days of the week**	**Months of the year**	**Prefix in-**	**Prefixes il-, ir-, im-**	**Prefix sub-**	**Prefix inter-**	**Common exception words**
Recap: up, over, stop, reverse. a c o g q s d	Recap: down, round; top dotted line. b f l t h k	Recap: down, round; top solid line. i m n p r u v w y z x j	Recap: across the top. v w o f r	Recap: do the loop. g y j	Recap: along the bottom and up. b p s	Upper/lower case: Aa–Zz. Name letters. Capitals unjoined.	Practise joined. Capitals unjoined.	Practise joined. Capitals unjoined.	Joined words. inactive, incorrect, invisible.	Joined words. illegal, irregular, impossible.	Joined words. subtitle, submarine, submerge.	Joined words. interact, international, interview.	Joined words. calendar, appear, believe.

Spring

Writing
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Spring 1 · Weeks 1–6



Jabberwocky
Narrative
Fiction
Weeks 1–3 · 3 weeks



Tuesday
Recount (newspaper)
Non-fiction
Weeks 4–6 · 3 weeks

Spring 2 · Weeks 7–12



Crazy Hair
Poetry
Fiction
Weeks 7–8 · 2 weeks



Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine
Explanation text
Non-fiction
Weeks 9–11 · 3 weeks

To confirm
No writing unit allocated
Week 12

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10	WEEK 11	WEEK 12
-sure	-ture	-sion	-ssion	-tion	-cian	-ous	-ous	-our to -or	-y to i	-ous	-ous
/zhuh/ endings	/cher/ endings	/shuhn/ endings	/shuhn/ endings	/shuhn/ endings	/shuhn/ endings Consolidation	No root-word change	No root word	Before adding -ous	Before adding -ous	Root word ends in e	Consolidation Spring assessment
Suffix -ation	**Suffix -ly**	**Adjectives into adverbs**	**/sh/ spelt ch**	**Suffix -ion / -sion**	**Common exception + number words**	**Suffix -ous**	**-ous: keep e for /g/**	**/ee/ spelt i**	**Suffix -ous**	**au digraph**	**Common exception words**
Joined words. information, preparation, vibration.	Joined words. sadly, completely, wildly.	Suffix -ly. Joined words. usually, finally, beautifully.	Joined words. chef, machine, brochure.	Joined words. expansion, comprehension, tension.	Practise joined. complete, continue, experiment. Number words.	Joined words. poisonous, dangerous, marvellous.	Joined words. courageous, outrageous.	Joined words. happiness, plentiful, silliness.	Joined words. serious, obvious, curious.	Joined words. naughty, caught, automatic.	Joined words. breath, business, different. Practise weaker joins.

Summer

Writing
Texts + main outcomes

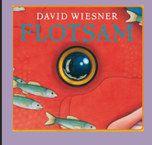
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Handwriting objectives
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Pencil, then purple pen

Summer 1 · Weeks 1–5



The Dark
Setting description
Fiction
Weeks 1–2 · 2 weeks



Flotsam
Narrative
Fiction
Weeks 3–5 · 3 weeks

Summer 2 · Weeks 6–12



The Night Gardener
Persuasive
Non-fiction
Weeks 6–8 · 3 weeks



The Pirate Cruncher
Instructions
Non-fiction
Weeks 9–10 · 2 weeks



Planet in a Pickle Jar
Discussion text
Non-fiction
Weeks 11–12 · 2 weeks

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10	WEEK 11	WEEK 12
s'	-ary	-ar -er	uni / bi tri / quad	pent / hex oct / dec	acro acu/accu aero	anni/annu aqu / astro	bi bio	cert chrono / circ	co corp	demo dent / dia	Assess
Plural possessive apostrophe	Suffix	Words spelt -ar / -er	Word families	Word families Consolidation	Word families	Word families	Word families	Word families	Word families	Word families	Summer assessment
Suffix -ion / -tion	**Suffix -ion / -ssion**	**Suffix -cian**	**Suffix -ly**	**Homophones + common exception words**	**/s/ spelt c before i, e**	**super-, anti-, auto-**	**Prefix bi-**	**sol / real families**	**phon / sign families**	**Common exception words**	**Common exception words**
Joined words. invention, injection, action.	Joined words. expression, discussion, confession.	Joined words. musician, magician, electrician.	Adverbs of manner. Joined words. reluctantly, quickly, generously.	Joined words. scene / seen; here / hear; group, height. Practise weaker joins.	Joined words. circle, century, circus.	Joined words. supermarket, antiseptic, automatic.	Joined words. bicycle, biplane, bilingual.	Joined words. solar, solution, real, reality.	Joined words. phone, telephone, sign, signature.	Joined words. Choose words to practise weaker joins.	Joined words. Choose words to practise weaker joins.

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Y4 – Punctuation and Grammar Overview

Features • Grammar • Punctuation

Year 4 throughout: organise paragraphs around a theme; use nouns and pronouns for cohesion. Secure direct speech punctuation and commas after fronted adverbials.

Autumn 1

PVPG
Sentence foundations

Features
Sentence practice; short compositions

Grammar
Standard English verb forms
Expanded noun phrases
Fronted adverbials

Punctuation
Secure sentence boundaries
Plural possessive apostrophes

Journey
Setting description

Features
Introduction
Paragraphs pan the setting
Conclusion including cliffhanger

Grammar
rhetorical questions
adverbials of place
adverbials of time
participial phrases
participial adjectives
expanded noun phrases
adverbials of manner (including similes)
short sentences for effect

Punctuation
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
commas in a list
apostrophes for possession
apostrophes for omission
ellipses (Y4)

The Present
Character description

Features
Introduction
Paragraphs pan the character
Conclusion including cliffhanger

Grammar
rhetorical questions
adverbials of place
adverbials of time
participial phrases
participial adjectives
expanded noun phrases
adverbials of manner (including similes)
short sentences for effect

Punctuation
commas in a list
apostrophes for possession
apostrophes for omission
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
question marks

Autumn 2

The Day the Crayons Came Home
Recount - letter/postcard

Features
Opening
date; salutation
Recounted events
chronological order
facts and opinions
Sign off

Grammar
past tense
first person
rhetorical questions
adverbials of time
adverbials of place

Punctuation
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
apostrophes for omission
apostrophes for possession

Escape from Pompeii
Recount - diary

Features
Opening
date; salutation
Recounted events
chronological order
facts and opinions
Sign off

Grammar
past tense
first person
rhetorical questions
adverbials of time
adverbials of place

Punctuation
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
apostrophes for omission
apostrophes for possession

The Christmas Pine
Poetry

Features

Grammar

Punctuation

Spring 1

Jabberwocky
Character description

Features
Introduction
Paragraphs pan the character
Conclusion including cliffhanger

Grammar
rhetorical questions
adverbials of place
adverbials of time
participial phrases
participial adjectives
expanded noun phrases
adverbials of manner (including similes)
short sentences for effect

Punctuation
commas in a list
apostrophes for possession
apostrophes for omission
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
question marks

Tuesday
Recount - newspaper

Features
headline and byline
Orientation
Main body
quotations
pictures and captions
Reorientation
facts and statements

Grammar
third person
past tense
adverbials of place
adverbials of time
tense switch (if applicable)

Punctuation
quotation marks
apostrophes for possession
commas for clauses (Y4)
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)

Spring 2

Crazy Hair
Poetry

Features

Grammar

Punctuation

Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine
Explanation text

Features
Introduction
Paragraphs detailing a process
Did you know?
formal language; technical vocabulary; facts

Grammar
present tense
rhetorical questions
adverbials of time
adverbs of manner
expanded noun phrases

Punctuation
apostrophes for possession
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
question marks

To confirm
Week 12 - no writing unit allocated

Features

Grammar

Punctuation

Summer 1

The Dark
Setting description

Features
Introduction
Paragraphs pan the setting
Conclusion including cliffhanger

Grammar
rhetorical questions
adverbials of place
adverbials of time
participial phrases
participial adjectives
expanded noun phrases
adverbials of manner (including similes)
short sentences for effect

Punctuation
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)
commas in a list
apostrophes for possession
apostrophes for omission
ellipses (Y4)

Flotsam
Characterising speech

Features
Introduction
Paragraphs characterising speech
Speech, Emotion, Action, Thoughts (SEAT)

Grammar
adverbials of place
expanded noun phrases
colloquial language (non-Standard English)
adverbs/adverbials of manner
subordinating conjunctions
participial phrases/clauses

Punctuation
inverted commas
apostrophes for omission
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)

Summer 2

The Night Gardener
Persuasive letter

Features
Brief introduction
date; salutation; address
Main body (persuasive arguments)
lists of three/repetition
facts and opinions
exaggerated or emotive language
Conclusion
sign off

Grammar
first person
direct address
rhetorical questions
past tense
expanded noun phrases

Punctuation
apostrophes for omission
apostrophes for plural possession
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)

The Pirate Cruncher
Instructions

Features
Introduction
List of equipment/materials/ingredients
Method
sequenced, chronological steps (adverbials of time)

Grammar
present tense
rhetorical questions
detailed information (expanded noun phrases)
imperative verbs & commands
adverbs of manner

Punctuation
commas in a list
apostrophes for possession
apostrophes for omission
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)

Planet in a Pickle Jar
Discussion text

Features
Statement about the issue with brief points
Paragraphs for supporting/against
emotive language
Recommendation

Grammar
co-ordinating conjunctions
adverbials of time
present perfect tense
present and future
modal verbs
first person
active voice

Punctuation
apostrophes for possession
commas for fronted adverbials (Y4)