



Edwinstree Middle School Year 5 – English Curriculum Overview

	Main texts	Writing Outcomes	Reading Outcomes	Values
Autumn	Picture Books: Traction Man – Grey Whale – Murrow Tuesday- Weisner Meerkat Mail - Gravett	Can I write a recount? Can I write a letter?	Can I identify the meaning of words? Can I select information and ideas? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas?	Service - Heroism Endurance Koinonia Thankfulness – First Schools
	The True Story of the Three Little Pigs – Scieszka	Can I write a newspaper report?	Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I select information and ideas?	Justice – The truth can be hard to find
	Snow Poetry - Pattern, Walter de la Mare The Snowman – Briggs Film	Can I write a descriptive text? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader? Can I select information and ideas?	Friendship – Change
	Image Musical Theatre Pinocchio	Can I write a review?	Can I make a comparison between two different writers’ ideas and viewpoints?	Respect – Different opinions
	The Night Before Christmas-Moore	Can I write a graphic narrative text?	Can I identify similarities and differences within a text?	
Spring	BFG - Dahl	Can I write to create an effect? (Suspense) Can I write a narrative text? Can I write a non-chronological report? Can I write a persuasive text?	Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I select information and ideas? Can I predict? Can I comment on elements which cause a change in events or feelings?	Friendship and Trust – The relationship between the BFG and Sophie
	Legends Robin Hood King Arthur Narrative poem- The Highwayman	Can I write a play-script? Can I write a speech? Can I write a narrative text? Can I write a diary?	Can I compare ideas across texts? Can I identify similarities and differences across texts? Can I select information and ideas from one or more texts? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I explain the effect of a text on the reader? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader?	Wisdom– linking fact in fiction Service – heroic actions
Summer	Treasure Island – Stevenson	Can I write an instructional text? Can I write an essay? Can I write a diary? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I select information and ideas from one or more texts? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I identify similarities and differences across texts? Can I identify elements which cause a change in events or a character’s feelings? Can I explain the effect of a text?	Wisdom – life is not clear-cut –hero or pirate?
	The Butterfly Lion – Morpurgo Zoo - Browne	Can I write a non-chronological report? Can I write a diary? Can I write a leaflet? Can I write a discussion text?	Can I explore the context in which a text was written? Can I predict? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader? Can I explain the meaning of words? Can I explain the effect of a text on the reader? Can I select information and ideas? Can I identify themes? Can I compare texts? Can I evaluate a text?	Friendship and hope- what it is like to be lonely - the power of friendship Peace and Service – heroism in war
	Kew Gardens Visit	Can I write a leaflet?	Can I evaluate a text? Can I identify how structure and presentation contribute to meaning? Can I identify or explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases?	Creation – celebrating the wonderful plant kingdom



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Autumn	A Midsummer Night’s Dream – Shakespeare Mr William Shakespeare’s plays - Williams A range of non-fiction texts about Shakespeare and Tudor times	Can I write a non-chronological report? Can I write a descriptive text? Can I write a diary? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I retrieve and record key information? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I select information and ideas? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader?	Creation - a world of fairies and magic Wisdom – what makes a good father?
	Danny the Champion of the World – Dahl	Can I write a recount? Can I write an instructional text? Can I write an autobiographical text?	Can I identify the meaning of words in context? Can I select information and ideas? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader? Can I compare ideas across texts? Can I Sequence events?	Friendship and trust - Between Danny and his father Justice and law – is poaching stealing?
	Image Musical Theatre Pinocchio	Can I write a review?	Can I compare viewpoints?	Respect – Different opinions
	A Christmas Carol - Dickens	Can I write a narrative text?	Can I explore historical context? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I identify themes? Can I identify elements which cause a change?	Koinonia – How Scrooge changes and re-engages with others
Spring	Greek Myths The Magic Box - Wright Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief - Riordan	Can I write a poem? Can I write a non-chronological report? Can I write a persuasive letter? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I explore historical context? Can I compare ideas across texts? Can I select information and ideas? Can I make inferences using evidence from the text? Can I predict? Can I put events in order? Can I identify the meaning of words? Can I summarise a text? Can I identify similarities and differences across texts?	Creation and The Fall’ - Pandora’s Box – Hope The role of women in creation stories
	Magnificent Machines	Can I write an explanation text?	Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas?	Wisdom
	Classic Narrative Poetry	Can I write a descriptive text?	Can I select information and ideas? Can I identify elements which cause a change in events or a character’s feelings? Can I explain the effect of a text? Can I explain the meaning of words? Can I sequence events?	Compassion - understanding the emotions and actions of others Heroism
Summer	Study skills – SATs preparation	Can I write a non-chronological report? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I explore structure and text features? Can I identify the meaning of words? Can I select information and ideas? Can I summarise the main idea? Can I sequence events? Can I make inferences and use evidence to support my ideas? Can I predict? Can I explain the effect of a text on the reader? Can I explain how writers use language? Can I identify elements which cause a change? Can I identify a character’s feelings? Can I identify similarities?	Endurance – Personal development Creation - A world of faeries and magic
	The Spiderwick Chronicles Arthur Spiderwick’s Field Guide - DiTerlizzi and Black Stormbreaker- Horowitz	Can I write to create an effect? Can I write a persuasive letter? Can I write a persuasive text? Can I write a narrative text? Can I write a descriptive text?	Can I predict? Can I explain how writers use language and structure to influence the reader? Can I suggest reasons for actions and events? Can I evaluate a text? Can I compare ideas across texts?	Peace – Good vs Evil – is this always clear-cut? Wisdom – How personal experience can affect our choices



Edwinstree Middle School Year 7 – English Curriculum Overview

	Main texts	Writing Outcomes(Reading Targets)	Reading Outcomes	Values
Autumn	Skellig- Almond The School Boy- Blake	Can I write a diary? Can I write a descriptive text? Can I write an essay? Starting with this extract, explore how the protagonist changes throughout the novel.	Can I explain how writers use language and structure to influence the reader and create effect? Can I select information and ideas? Can I infer? How does the writer create atmosphere? Can I make comments about the symbols and motifs in the text? Can I make comments about the themes in the text? Can I explore the structure and language features of a text?	Hope – There is always hope Wisdom - What is Education?
	Cats Poetry The Tyger - Blake Cats- Elliot	Can I write a descriptive text? Can I write an essay? How does Eliot successfully portray Macavity as a 'mystery' cat?	Can I explain how writers use different methods to create effect? Can I make comments about the symbols in the text? Can I evaluate a text? Can I explore the context of a text?	Creation – The wonder of animals
	1001 Arabian Knights Play-scripts	Can I write a feature article? Can I write a play-script? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I make comments about the characters in the text? Can I select explicit information and ideas? Can I make comments to compare characters between texts? Can I make comments about the ideas and events in the text?	Discrimination– The oppression of women Wisdom – Is deception always wrong?
Spring	Trash – Mulligan	Can I write a leaflet? Can I write a letter? Can I write to create suspense? Can I write an essay? How does Mulligan explore poverty through the character Raphael?	Can I make comments about the characters in the text? Can I make comments about motifs in a text? Can I explain how writers use structure to influence the reader and create effect? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect? Can I make some comments on the relationship between a text and its context? Can I make comments to compare the themes between two texts?	Service and Koinonia - Charity poverty and wealth The value of friendship
	Romeo and Juliet – Shakespeare The Whisperer - Butterworth	Can I write a feature article? Can I write an essay? Who is to blame for the deaths of Romeo and Juliet? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I make comments about the themes in a text? Can I explore the structure of a text? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect? Can I make comments to compare language, themes, characters and events between texts?	Justice – Is blame always clear-cut?
Summer	The Canterbury Tales -Chaucer The Road to Canterbury- Serrailier	Can I write a persuasive text? Can I write an essay? Who is the most likeable character? The Knight or the Squire? Can I write a descriptive text? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I make a comparison between writers' ideas and viewpoints? Can I explore the relationship between a text and its context? Can I study setting, plot, and characterisation? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect?	Endurance – Pilgrimage a spiritual journey Humility – vanity and pride History of the English language
	The War of the Worlds – Wells Jeff Wayne's musical adaptation	Can I write a newspaper report? Can I write to create an effect? Can I write a review?	Can I make some comments on the relationship between a text and its context? Can I evaluate a text? Can I explore text features? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect? Can I make comments about the symbols or motifs in the text? Can I make comments about the themes in the text?	Peace – The tragedy of war



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	Main texts	Writing Outcomes (Reading Targets)	Reading Outcomes	Values
Autumn	Mystery Stories Tale of Terror, The Monkey's Paw, The Signalman, The Landlady. Ruby in the Smoke - Pullman 'The Mystery of Harris Burdick'	Can I write a descriptive text? Can I write to create effect? (Suspense) Can I write a narrative text? Can I write an essay? Starting with this extract... How are women portrayed in Pullman's 'Ruby in the Smoke'?	Can I explain how writers use structure to influence the reader and create effect? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect? How does the writer portray characters?	Peace – Hate: exploring relationships
	Images of War	Can I write a leaflet?	Can I explore context of a text? Can I explain how writers create an image?	Peace - The tragedy of war
	Two Weeks With The Queen – Gleitzman Author study	Can I write a leaflet? Can I write a diary? Can I write an essay?	How does the writer develop characters? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect? Can I explain how writers use structure to influence the reader and create effect? Can I make comments to compare texts?	Advertising Britain – what makes us British? Discrimination – explore LGBT issues and the history of AIDS
Spring	The Hunger Games	Can I write a screen play? Can I write an essay? How are film techniques used to explore the relationship between Katniss and Rue in the scene 'Rue's farewell'?	Can I make comments to compare structure between texts? Can I compare writers' methods between texts? How does the writer create an effect? (Tension) How does a writer create an image?	Compassion and Friendship – Loss of a friend
	King of Shadows – Cooper Shakespearian Sonnets	Can I write a narrative text? Can I write a feature article? Can I write an essay? How does Shakespeare use imagery in Sonnet 116? Can I write a persuasive letter?	Can I make comments about the characters in the text? Can I explain how writers use structure to influence the reader and create effect? Can I select explicit information and ideas? Can I make comments to compare characters between texts? Can I evaluate a text? (focus on theme)	Compassion and Friendship – True love is constant
Summer	The Tempest - Shakespeare	Can I write a letter? Can I write a speech? Can I write an essay? Using these scenes...What do we know about the relationship between Prospero and Ariel?	Can I evaluate a text? Can I make comments about the characters in the text? Can I make comments about the setting in the text? Can I make comments about the themes in the text?	Forgiveness – Helping us grow Creation – Utopia: What would you include?
	Heroes Transition unit	Can I write a speech? Can I write a persuasive letter? Can I write a narrative text?	Can I make comments about a character in the text? Can I explain how writers use language to influence the reader and create effect? Can I make a comparison between writers' ideas and viewpoints?	Service – What makes a hero?