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| HAYDN PRIMARY SCHOOL CORE TEXTS AND WRITING Updated Sept 2023 | | | |
| \*Texts and writing will be reviewed and changed as staff learn about new authors, titles or curriculum and topic changes. | | | |
| Year group | Autumn | Spring | Summer |
| F1 | Going on a Bear Hunt  Shark in the Park – Nick Sharratt  A New House for Mouse  Pumpkin Soup  The story of Diwali  Owl Babies  Peace at Last  The Christmas Nativity Story  The Three Little Pigs    Writing  Orally composing sentences  Adults scribing children’s language  Shared writing  Mark making for a purpose during play  Writing and recognising name  Making cards | One Snowy Night  Chinese New Year story  Cuddly Dudley  The Tiger Who Came to Tea  Polar animals NF  Handa’s Surprise  The Smartest Giant in Town  Mrs Mopple’s Washing Line  Dora’s Eggs  We’re going on an Egg Hunt    Writing  As Autumn  Guided writing  Writing linked to role play – menus, taking messages, firefighter checklists, shopping lists etc.  Making simple books  Ordering letters in name  Mark making linked to letter formation | Jack and the Beanstalk  The Three Little Pigs  Goldilocks and the Three Bears  The Gingerbread Man  The Very Hungry Caterpillar  The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse  The Train Ride  The Snail and the Whale    Writing  As Autumn and Spring  Writing in response to phonics  Writing name  Forming letters  Story maps  Labelling pictures |
| Favourite 5 PSED Transition Texts  1. The Tiger Who Came to Tea - Judith Kerr I Like Myself Starting School  2. Handa’s Surprise - Eileen Browne The Same But Different Come to School  3. The Smartest Giant in Town -Julia Donaldson The Skin You Live in Too Blue Kangaroo  4. Shark in the Park – Nick Sharratt Farmer Duck  5. Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons K & J Dean Ruby’s Worry  Nancy No-Size | | | |
| F2 | Key Texts  We’re Going on a Bear Hunt  The Three Little Pigs – Nick Sharratt  Owl Babies  Owls – non-fiction  Little Red Riding Hood  Christmas Story    Focus on Julia Donaldson texts  Writing  Name writing  Simple words  Captions  Labelling pictures  Story maps | Key Texts  One Snowy Night  Lost and Found  Up and Down  Goldilocks and the Three Bears  Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs  The Chinese New Year Race    Focus on Oliver Jeffers texts    Writing  Simple sentences  Recount of a story  Making their own information books  Story grid (writing about characters/setting/beginning/middle/end | Key Texts  Jack and the Beanstalk  The Gingerbread Man  Supertato  The Very Hungry Caterpillar  The Snail and the Whale  Commotion in the Ocean      Writing  Sentences (HA introduced to describing what they can see in pictures)  Recount of stories  Writing their own stories  Labelling life cycles |
| Favourite Five  We’re Going on a Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen  Whatever Next – Jill Murphy  Julian is a Mermaid – Jessica Love  All Join In - Quentin Blake  Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers | | | |
| Year 1 | Key Texts -  Robin Hood  Mog’s Christmas  Martha maps it Out      Writing  Holidays / Myself & my world  Writing simple sentences  Information texts  Stories & Poems  Recounts  Simple instructions | Key Texts -  Great Explorers  Poles Apart  The Bear  Man on the Moon  Beegu  Writing  Polar Regions/ Space  Visual literacy  Writing stories  Recounts  Instructions  Diary entries  Poems | Key Texts -  Alan’s Big Scary Teeth  Animals are Coming  Stomp  Midsummer Night’s Dream  Herman’s Holiday  Meerkat Mail  Writing  Dinosaurs  Descriptive writing –setting descriptions  Fiction writing  Poetry  Phonics  Reading skills (comprehension) |
| Favourite Five  Chocolate Cake – Michael Rosen  Ruby’s Worry – Tom Percival  Dogger – Shirley Hughes  Stickman - Julia Donaldson  Billy and the Beast – Nadia Shireen | | | |
| Year 2 | Key Texts  The Tiger That Came to Tea  The Day the Crayons Quit  Dragon Stoorworm  Tidy  The Paper Bag Princess      Writing  Welcome to NG5  Into the woods.  Tiger that came to tea- Invitation  The Day the Crayons Quit- Letter  Dragon Stoorworm - description  Tidy – Story/ Poem  Greenpeace- Letter  Letter to Santa | Key Texts  Booktime Book of Fantastic First Poems - Michael Rosen  Twisted Jack and the Venus Fly Trap  Mr Gum  The Selfish Giant    Writing  Nonsense/ Venus Fly Trap  Non fiction- Venus Fly Traps  Nonsense poems - The Booktime Book of Fantastic First Poems - Michael Rosen  Acrostic poems - Animals  Instructions- How to plant a magic bean  Traditional tale- Twisted Jack and the Venus Fly Trap  Mr Gum- book review | Key Text  Great Women in History  WWII texts  Bedtime Books for Girls – Amelia Earhart  The Lion and the Unicorn  WW2/ Ahoy there!  WW2 Nonfiction texts.    Writing  Great Women in History  Non-fiction text and Jamaica  Amelia Earhart- Non fiction text-  Talking story-  Adventure story  Letter to David Attenborough - Jamaican animals  Birdfish - Animal description  Diary entry - Mary Seacole |
| Favourite Five  The Day the Crayons Quit - Oliver Jeffers  The Colour Monster - Anna Llenas  The Bear and The Piano - David Litchfield  I Want My Hat Back - Jon Klassen  Somebody Crunched Colin - Sarah Roberts | | | |
| Year 3 | Key Texts  The Lorax – Dr Seuss  Poetry – kennings  Flotsam – David Weisner  On Sudden Hill – Linda Sarah  Hello Lighthouse – Sophie Blackall  The Wish Granter - Film unit  Writing  Poetry - kennings  Description  Letter  Narrative | Key Texts  Fantastic Mr Fox – Roald Dahl  Shakespeare – Julius Caesar  Escape From Pompeii – C Balit  Writing  Playscripts  Performance poetry  Newspaper article  Diary  Information texts – holiday leaflet | Key Texts  The Chocolate Tree – A Mayan Folktale. Linda Lowery  The Great Kapok Tree - Lynee Cherry  Iron Man – Ted Hughes  The Lost Thing – Shaun Tan  Nim’s Island – Wendy Orr    Writing  Letter writing  How to take care of… leaflet  Non-chronological reports |
| Favourite Five  Aaron Slater, Illustrator - Andrea Beaty  The Tear Thief - Carol Ann Duffy  Grandma Bird - Benji Davies  Grandpa's Stories - Joseph Coelho  The Barnabus Project - The Fan Brothers | | | |
| Year 4 | Key Texts  The Dot - Peter Reynolds  Secrets of a Sun King - Emma Carroll  Macbeth - Shakespeare  Writing  Poetry  Diary  Narrative  Letter  Playscript  How to Protect Hedgehogs – persuasive leaflet | Key Texts  The Dam – David Almond  The Rhythm of the Rain – Grahame Baker-Smith  Water Cycles - DK UK    Writing  Rivers – information text  Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate Di Camillo  I Talk Like a River – Jordan Scott  Poetry  Letter  Newspaper report | Key Text  The Dot – Peter Reynolds  How to Train Your -Dragon Cressida Cowell      Writing  Recount (residential)  Instructions  Poetry – memory box  Myths  Narrative – Descriptive story |
| Favourite Five  The Dot - Peter H Reynolds  How to Train Your Dragon- Cressida Cowell  How to Help a Hedgehog and Protect a Polar Bear - Jess French  Miraculous Journey of Edward Toulane - Kate DiCamillo  My Name is Not Refugee – Kate Milner | | | |
| Year 5 | Key Texts  The Jamie Drake Equation – Christopher Edge  Where the Forest Meets the Sea – Jeannie Baker  The Hidden Forest – Jeannie Baker  The Explorers - Katherine Rundell  Leon and the Place Between – Angela McAllister  Poem – On the Road Again (Michael Rosen)  Writing  Forests – descriptive writing  Biography – link to BHM Claudia Jones  Persuasive writing – film trailer  Instructions  InspirationaL people (RE) -  Speech writing  NPD Theme: Refuge  Poetry - Michael Rosen – On the Road Again  Reading skills (comprehension) | Key Text  Romeo and Juliet - William Shakespeare (2024) performance  Who Let the God’s Out? -Maz Evans  Writing  Francis film clip - fiction  Ted Hughes – Key author  Classical Poetry  Letter writing  Script writing  Ancient myths  Historical narrative in the style of Michael Morpurgo  Reading skills (comprehension) | Key Text  Street Child - Berlie Doherty          Writing  Recount – life in a workhouse.  Empathetic writing  Writing in character role  Poetry  Film narrative  Explanation of states of matter and separating materials - science  Reading skills (comprehension) |
| Year 6 | Class Text  The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse new beginnings – PHSE  Wonder – R J Palacio  Writing  Information texts - The Octopus  Oktapodi – film clip (fiction)  Diary writing  Fiction – evacuation stories  Fiction - Alma  Celebration of National National Poetry Day Theme: Refuge  Letter writing – formal and informal  Grammar  Reading skills (comprehension) | Class Text  The Last Wild by Piers Torday    Writing  Short burst writing based on images – skills development  Journey - Aaron Becker  Non-fiction:  Arguments  Instructions  Grammar  Reading skills (comprehension) | Class Text  The Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen        Writing  Moving On  Narrative  Fiction: The Long Walk  The Arrival  Information texts  Recounts - residential  Play scripts/assembly planning  Grammar  Reading skills (comprehension) |