Year: 4 Date: Advent 1 Subject: English – Reading, Writing, Spelling and Grammar.

National Curriculum Objectives:

Reading:

Develop positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by:

- listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks
- reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes
- using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read
- increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally
- identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books
- preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action
- discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination
- recognising some different forms of poetry [for example, free verse, narrative poetry]

understand what they read, in books they can read independently, by:

- checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context
- asking questions to improve their understanding of a text
- drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
- predicting what might happen from details stated and implied
- identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these
- identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning
- retrieve and record information from non-fiction
- participate in discussion about both books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say

Writing:

Plan their writing by:

- discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar
- discussing and recording ideas

Draft and write by:

- composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (English Appendix 2)
- organising paragraphs around a theme
- in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot
- in non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices [for example, headings and sub-headings]

evaluate and edit by:

• assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements

- proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences
- proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors
- 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.

Grammar:

Pupils should be taught to:

Develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English Appendix 2 by:

- extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although
- using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense
- choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition
- using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause
- using fronted adverbials
- learning the grammar for years 3 and 4 in English Appendix 2

Indicate grammatical and other features by:

- using commas after fronted adverbials
- indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns
- using and punctuating direct speech
- use and understand the grammatical terminology in English Appendix 2 accurately and appropriately when discussing their writing and reading.

Spelling:

Pupils should be taught to:

- use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them (English Appendix 1)
- spell further homophones
- spell words that are often misspelt (English Appendix 1)
- place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals [for example, girls', boys'] and in words with irregular plurals [for example, children's]
- use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary
- write from memory simple sentences, dictated by the teacher, that include words and punctuation taught so far

	Week 1: 4/9/23	Week 2: 11/9/23	Week 3: 18/9/23	Week 4: 25/9/23	Week 5: 2/10/23	Week 6: 9/10/23			
	Literal: To know how to recognise words and know what they mean.								
Reading Comp.	Teacher to read and explore/discuss text with the class: Dinosaur Fact File – Non fiction.	Teacher to read and explore/discuss text with the class: Shark Attack! – Non fiction.	Teacher to read and explore/discuss text with the class: The Black Death – Narrative.	Teacher to read and explore/discuss text with the class: Japan – Non fiction.	Teacher to read and explore/discuss text with the class: Twinkle's Fairy Cakes – Non fiction.	Teacher to read and explore/discuss text with the class: Pet Care – Non fiction.			
Guided Reading	Children to reread text and answer questions independently: Dinosaur Fact File – Non fiction.	Children to reread text and answer questions independently: Shark Attack! – Non fiction.	Children to reread text and answer questions independently: The Black Death – Narrative.	Children to reread text and answer questions independently: Japan – Non fiction.	Children to reread text and answer questions independently: Twinkle's Fairy Cakes – Non fiction.	End of half term reading assessment – Bug Club			
Writing	Character Descriptions	<u>Diary</u>	Newspaper Report	Newspaper Report	Informal Letter	Informal Letter / Author Fact file			
	M: To know how an author describes a character.	M: To know the feelings of a character.	M: To know the features of a newspaper report.	M: To know how to write a newspaper report. (5Ws)	M: To know how to identify the features of an informal letter.	M: To know how to write an informal letter.			
	T: To know how to describe the Iron Man.	T: To know the features of a diary.	T: To know how to plan a newspaper report.	T: To know how to write a newspaper report. (Quotes)	T: To know how to plan an informal letter. (Read ch. 5 of the Iron Man)	T: To know how to write an informal letter.			
	W: To know how to plan a character.	W: To know how to plan and write a diary.	W: To know how to plan a newspaper report.	W: To know how to write a newspaper report. (Concluding paragraph)	W: To know how to plan an informal letter. (Story map of The Iron Man ch 5)	W: To know the features and how to plan an author fact file.			
	Th: To know how to describe my character.	Th: WSM – Beginnings.	Th: To know how to write a newspaper report. (Headline and byline)	Th: To know how to write a newspaper report. (Picture and caption)	F: To know how to plan an informal letter. (Expanded success criteria)	Th: To know how to write an author fact file.			
Grammar	To know how to use determiners.	To know clauses in a sentence.	To know how to expand sentences using conjunctions.	To know how to expand sentences using adverbs and prepositions.	To know direct speech.	To know past and present tense.			
Spelling	words ending in -ion, - sion, -ssion, -cian.	words ending in -ion, - sion, -ssion, -cian.	words ending in -ion, - sion, -ssion, -cian.	Year 3 and 4 statutory spellings: Accident - believe	Year 3 and 4 statutory spellings: Bicycle - century	Revise and assess words learnt this half term			